



Media Release

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New MHA+ Medium Schemes Framework (MSF 4) Suppliers announced

The new Medium Schemes Framework (MSF 4) was formally launched at the Midlands Highway Alliance Plus (MHA+) annual event held on 22 June 2022. Following an extensive development and procurement process the MHA+ is pleased to announce that the new framework has been awarded to:

- Galliford Try Infrastructure Ltd
- Balfour Beatty Civil Engineering
- Eurovia Infrastructure Ltd
- John Sisk & Son (Holdings) Ltd

The project to develop a replacement for the Medium Schemes Framework MSF 3 began in 2020 and the MSF 4 working group met for the first time at the beginning of March 2020. The working group met virtually throughout the pandemic to produce the initial outline business case for the development of MSF 4, followed by the detailed business case.

Owen Jenkins, Chair Medium Scheme Framework Board, Oxfordshire County Council said “We are all aware that this is a turbulent and challenging time for local highway authorities and the construction sector. We are therefore very pleased to be announcing MSF4 and this embeds the need for the whole sector to work together to meet the challenges of the future.”

The delivery of this project has been a real team effort with over thirty colleagues from twelve different member authorities playing their part supported by Leicestershire County Council’s procurement team and the MHA+ team providing project management support.

The MSF 4 contract notice was published on 16 April 2021 and was another first for the framework as it was published on the British government’s Find a Tender service which replaced the Official Journal of the European Union following Brexit. Tenders were invited from eight leading highway contractors in the autumn of 2021 and during January and February the tender assessment was completed.

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Editors notes:

- The notice is still available on the government's Find a Tender service – https://www.find-tender.service.gov.uk/Notice/008029-2021#contracting_authority-1
- The detailed business case is available on the MHA Plus website – <https://www.mhaplus.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2022/06/Detailed-Business-Case-MSF-4.pdf>