



Procurement FAQs

Q. How was the framework procured?

The framework was procured in accordance with the Public Contract Regulations 2015, utilising the open procedure.

The award criteria utilised for the Framework were:

- o Cost – 30%
- o Quality – 60%
- o Social Value – 10%

Q. Where can I find the Contract Award Notice?

All notice references are available on YPO's website, a link has been included here for ease: [HR and People | London in Permanent Children's Social Work Recruitment - 1165 Coming Soon \(ypo.co.uk\)](#)

Alternatively, YPO can provide copies of the notices, or searches can be conducted on Find a Tender.

Q. Have we been listed as a permissible user?

All London Borough Councils have been listed as permissible users of this framework, please see the relevant Contract Award Notice for further detail.

Q. How do you use the framework?

The first step in using the framework is to return a signed Non-Disclosure Agreement. A copy can be downloaded from the relevant YPO webpage, or you can email HRsolutions@ypo.co.uk directly.

The framework permits both direct award and further competition as routes to market. Further detail as to each route have been outlined within our user guide, or you can contact YPO to discuss this further. The most economically advantageous tender (MEAT) principle applies to both routes.

Q. How was social value evaluated?

Social value has been specifically addressed within the framework specification and evaluation criterion. Social value carried a 10% award criterion weighting at tender stage, which included two equally weighted questions focused on corporate social responsibility and a scenario based question.

Q. Where are documents accessed?

Documents can be accessed following the return of a signed Non-Disclosure Agreement. Some documents are available for public access via our webpage: [HR and People | London in Permanent Children's Social Work Recruitment - 1165 Coming Soon \(ypo.co.uk\)](#)

Q. What additional support is available for my hiring managers?

YPO offers support to Contracting Authorities free of charge, which can include provision of template documents, review of further competition pack and running your further competition via our ProContract portal. Please note, if running the further competition, you remain responsible for responses to clarification questions and evaluations of bids.

