

Tender Evaluation Criteria

Each Tender submission will be evaluated as detailed below.

• Stage 1 - Validity and Completeness of Submission to ensure the Tender is compliant.

Validity: This is to ensure that all Tenders received are valid in accordance with the Instructions for Tendering.

Completeness: A complete Tender shall include all documents required in accordance with the Instructions for Tendering. Incomplete submissions may result in your submission being excluded

• Stage 2 - Financial security check

ALL INSURERS MUST BE AT LEAST "A" RATED BY STANDARD AND POOR'S OR EQUIVALENT OTHERWISE THEIR SUBMISSION WILL BE AUTOMATICALLY REJECTED. Please note if the rating of the Insurer drops below the acceptable minimum standard during the life of the contract, the Authority can make alternative arrangements at their own discretion.

- Stage 3 Detailed Consideration of Tenders to determine the Most Economically Advantageous Tender (MEAT) to the Council in terms of price and quality. In accordance with Part 5 of the Public Contracts Regulations 2006, we have set out below the criteria and weightings for the award criteria.
- Stage 4 Contract Award / Acceptance of Tender

Please note a Tender that does not satisfy the minimum requirements of a given stage will be rejected.

The Authority reserves the right to request additional information which may be necessary to assist in the evaluation of Tenders and any such information must be provided in writing within a maximum period of **three working days** of receipt of a written request.

Stage 3 - Detailed Consideration of Tenders

The award criteria are set out in the following pages. They comprise both Financial (price) and Non-Financial (policy cover, claims service and ease of administration) criteria.



Lot 1 - Property			
Tender Evaluation Criteria			
Criteria	Weighting		
Price for Insurance cover	50%		
Maximum points will be awarded to the lowest priced bidder taking into account any Long Term Agreement discounts. A formula will be used to adjust the scores of all remaining bidders to reflect the percentage difference in prices			
Assessment of Policy Cover	30%		
Marks will be awarded for insurers able to offer cover as per the specification. Where cover enhancements or policy benefits can be provided within standard policy wordings at no additional charge to the Council, additional points will be awarded. Reductions will be made for areas where the insurer is unable to meet the full requirements of the specification and / or onerous policy conditions and exclusions are applicable			
If there are serious omissions in the policy cover no points will be awarded and the tender will be rejected. An example of this might be if there is no cover provided for storm or flood.			
All bidders are required to include a document which compares the cover they are offering against the cover being requested within this specification			
Claims Service	10%		
This will be evaluated against the criteria shown within this Tender Document. Scores will be adjusted to take into account the difference between the services offered and those requested together with the quality of claims and the claims management data available.			
Experience / Risk Management advice	10%		
Marks will be awarded for experience / commitment of the insurer to the property insurance market (including relevant local authority and property type experience)			



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Each of the four Criteria detailed above will be scored as follows

The Maximum points available for the whole tender is 1000

Price for insurance cover

The maximum points available for this section is 500 this will be allocated as shown below

Evaluation Methodology	Points available
Lowest price bidder.	440
Maximum points will be awarded to the lowest price bidder. A formula will be used to adjust the scores of all remaining bidders to reflect the percentage difference in price. For each 1% higher the premium is than the lowest price quoted 4.4points will be deducted	
Guaranteed rates for the period of the LTA	35
Low Claims rebate	25

Assessment of Policy Cover

Evaluation Methodology	Points available
Insurance Cover offered	300
A tender that meets the requirements of the ITT will be awarded 200 points	
Reductions will be made for areas where the insurer is unable to meet the full requirements of the specification or additional restrictive terms, conditions, exclusions or endorsements are imposed.	
The value of the points deducted will be based upon the potential financial impact on the Authority.	
The points will be reduced in multiples of 10 for minor differences i.e. one minor difference would result in a 10 point reduction. More significant differences would result a point reductions of 50 to 100 points, for example the excess being applied per property rather than per event.	
Please remember if there are serious	



omissions in the policy cover the tender will be rejected. An example of this might be if there is no cover or an unacceptable inner limit for provided for wet perils.

Where the cover exceeds the specification and these benefits are of interest / value to the Authority additional points will be awarded. An additional 100 points are available.

Examples of improvements could include no average clause in the policy.

Claims Service

Evaluation Methodology	Points available
The Authority expects all claims will be handled in a prompt professional manner.	100
Claims Service	
A tender that meets the requirements of the ITT will be awarded 50 points	
Reductions will be made for areas where the insurer is unable to meet the full requirements of the specification	
The value of the points deducted will be based upon the potential service impact on the Authority.	
The points will be reduced in multiples of 10 i.e. one minor difference would result in a 10 point reduction. An example could be response times on new claims being 1 day longer than requested. A more significant difference would result a point reduction of 50 points. This might be that Loss Adjusters on large claims are not available within 24 hours or monthly claim listing reports are not available.	
Where the service exceeds the specification and these benefits are of interest / value to the Authority additional points will be awarded. An additional 50 points are available.	
Examples of improvements could include a free phone telephone number for reporting claims, detailed monthly claims analysis reports.	



Experience / Risk Management advice

Evaluation Methodology	Points available
Under this section a further 100 points are available	
Experience	
Up to 50 points are available to Insurers who can demonstrate they have Local Authority property experience.	50
Experience can be defined by having 3 Public Sector clients with similar property make up and numbers.	
Risk Management advice / services	
Up to 50 points are available for risk management consultancy time to be used for services chosen specifically by the client (this does not include services which may be available at an additional cost) the scores will be based on the time offered and the range of services available.	50



Lot 2 – Fidelity Guarantee/Crime		
Tender Evaluation Criteria		
Criteria	Weighting	
Price for Insurance cover	50%	
Maximum points will be awarded to the lowest priced bidder taking into account any Long Term Agreement discounts. A formula will be used to adjust the scores of all remaining bidders to reflect the percentage difference in prices		
Assessment of Policy Cover	30%	
Marks will be awarded for insurers able to offer cover as per the specification. Where cover enhancements or policy benefits can be provided within standard policy wordings at no additional charge to the Council, additional points will be awarded. Reductions will be made for areas where the insurer is unable to meet the full requirements of the specification and / or onerous policy conditions and exclusions are applicable If there are serious omissions in the		
and the tender will be rejected. An example of this might be if there is no cover provided for storm or flood.		
All bidders are required to include a document which compares the cover they are offering against the cover being requested within this specification		
Claims Service	10%	
This will be evaluated against the criteria shown within this Tender Document. Scores will be adjusted to take into account the difference between the services offered and those requested together with the quality of claims and the claims management data available.		
Experience / Risk Management advice	10%	
Marks will be awarded for experience / commitment of the insurer to the property insurance market (including relevant local authority and property type experience)		



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Each of the four Criteria detailed above will be scored as follows

The Maximum points available for the whole tender is 1000

Price for insurance cover

The maximum points available for this section is 500 this will be allocated as shown below

Evaluation Methodology	Points available
Lowest price bidder.	440
Maximum points will be awarded to the lowest price bidder. A formula will be used to adjust the scores of all remaining bidders to reflect the percentage difference in price. For each 1% higher the premium is than the lowest price quoted 4.4points will be deducted	
Guaranteed rates for the period of the LTA	35
Low Claims rebate	25

Assessment of Policy Cover

Evaluation Methodology	Points available
Insurance Cover offered	300
A tender that meets the requirements of the ITT will be awarded 200 points	
Reductions will be made for areas where the insurer is unable to meet the full requirements of the specification or additional restrictive terms, conditions, exclusions or endorsements are imposed.	
The value of the points deducted will be based upon the potential financial impact on the Authority.	
The points will be reduced in multiples of 10 for minor differences i.e. one minor difference would result in a 10 point reduction. More significant differences would result a point reductions of 50 to 100 points, for example the excess being applied per property rather than per event.	
Please remember if there are serious	



omissions in the policy cover the tender will be rejected. An example of this might be if there is no cover or an unacceptable inner limit for provided for wet perils.

Where the cover exceeds the specification and these benefits are of interest / value to the Authority additional points will be awarded. An additional 100 points are available.

Examples of improvements could include no average clause in the policy.

Claims Service

Evaluation Methodology	Points available
The Authority expects all claims will be handled in a prompt professional manner.	100
Claims Service	
A tender that meets the requirements of the ITT will be awarded 50 points	
Reductions will be made for areas where the insurer is unable to meet the full requirements of the specification	
The value of the points deducted will be based upon the potential service impact on the Authority.	
The points will be reduced in multiples of 10 i.e. one minor difference would result in a 10 point reduction. An example could be response times on new claims being 1 day longer than requested. A more significant difference would result a point reduction of 50 points. This might be that Loss Adjusters on large claims are not available within 24 hours or monthly claim listing reports are not available.	
Where the service exceeds the specification and these benefits are of interest / value to the Authority additional points will be awarded. An additional 50 points are available.	
Examples of improvements could include a free phone telephone number for reporting claims, detailed monthly claims analysis reports.	



Experience / Risk Management advice

Evaluation Methodology	Points available
Under this section a further 100 points are available	
Experience	
Up to 50 points are available to Insurers who can demonstrate they have Local Authority property experience.	50
Experience can be defined by having 3 Public Sector clients with similar property make up and numbers.	
Risk Management advice / services	
Up to 50 points are available for risk management consultancy time to be used for services chosen specifically by the client (this does not include services which may be available at an additional cost) the scores will be based on the time offered and the range of services available.	50



Lot 3 - Engineering Insurance and Inspection Tender Evaluation Criteria

Criteria	Weighting
Price for Insurance cover	~ ~ ~
Maximum points will be awarded to the lowest priced bidder taking into account any Long Term Agreement discounts. A formula will be used to adjust the scores of all remaining bidders to reflect the percentage difference in prices	60%
Assessment of Policy Cover	
Marks will be awarded for insurers able to offer cover as per the specification. Where cover enhancements or policy benefits can be provided within standard policy wordings at no additional charge to the Council, additional points will be awarded. Reductions will be made for areas where the insurer is unable to meet the full requirements of the specification and / or onerous policy conditions and exclusions are applicable	5%
If there are serious omissions in the policy cover no points will be awarded and the tender will be rejected.	
Engineering Service Delivery	
This will be evaluated against the requirements of the Contract within this Tender Document. Scores will be adjusted to take into account the difference between the services offered and those requested together with the quality of the management information available and the quality of claims handling (number of complaints).	25%
Administration / Experience / Risk Management Advice	
Marks will be awarded for quality of management data available and the ease of the administration process together with the experience / commitment of the insurer to the Engineering market	10%



(including relevant local authority experience) and the Risk Management advice / services available as well as the Customer Inspection Management system as detailed on Page 30 of the tender document

Each of the four Criteria detailed above will be scored as overleaf The Maximum points available for the whole tender is 1000



Price for insurance cover

The maximum points available for this section is 600 this will be allocated as shown below

Evaluation Methodology	Points available
Lowest price bidder. Maximum points will be awarded to the lowest price bidder A formula will be used to adjust the scores of all remaining bidders to reflect the percentage difference in price. For each 1% higher the premium is than the lowest price quoted 5.5 points will be deducted	550
Proposed cost for Out of Hours Inspections. For each 1% higher the rate is than the lowest price quoted 1 point will be deducted	20
Guaranteed rates for the period of the LTA with no adjustment for RPI or BEAMA	30

Assessment of Policy Cover The maximum points available for this section is 50 this will be allocated as shown below

Evaluation Methodology	Points available
Insurance Cover offered	
A tender that meets the requirements of the ITT will be awarded 50 points Reductions will be made for areas where the insurer is unable to meet the full requirements of the specification or additional restrictive terms, conditions, exclusions or endorsements are imposed. The value of the points deducted will be based upon the potential financial impact on the Authority. The points will be reduced in multiples of 10 for minor differences i.e. one minor difference would result in a 10 point reduction.	50
Please remember if there are serious omissions in the policy cover the tender will be rejected.	



Engineering Inspection Service Delivery The maximum points available for this section is 250 this will be allocated as shown below

Evaluation Methodology	Points available
Please provide details/evidence on the percentage of your organisation's inspections	
that are undertaken on time.	
Please provide details of the oldest	100
outstanding inspection (excluding Plant not	
Available inspections)	
The Council values working with a provider	
with sufficient in house capacity for the	25
contract. Please detail your organisations	25
policy on using Contract surveyors	
Confirmation that all inspections are to be	
undertaken in core hours (Monday to Friday,	25
8.00am to 6.00pm) unless by prior	
agreement with Council	
Please provide details of your Organisations'	
training Policy for Engineer Surveyors	
including any minimum qualification	
requirements for those Engineers who will	
service this contract	25
The Council would consider the minimum	25
level to be a HND level qualification and	
bidders confirming their staff meet that level	
will score 15 points. Additional Points are available for additional but relevant	
qualifications	
The council value a local service. Please	
advise if Surveyors would be based locally	50
(within 45 minutes drive)	
Please provide staff turnover figures for	25
Engineer Surveyors over the last 5 years	LJ

Administration / Experience / Risk Management advice The maximum points available for this section is 100 this will be allocated as shown below

Evaluation Methodology	Points available
Under this section a further 100 points are available	
Administration arrangements 50 points	
Where the service offered meets or exceeds the minimum Specification on Page 10, then full marks will be awarded. Reductions will be made for areas where the insurer is unable to meet the full requirements of the specification The value of the points deducted will be based upon the potential service impact on the Authority and areas, which will mean greater administrative burden on the	50



Authority. For example Electronic Reporting (Item 1 in the Table on Page X) would be considered a "Major item", whereas Item 8 in the same Table is of less importance to the council and would be considered a "minor item". The points will be reduced in multiples of 5 i.e. one minor difference would result in a 5 point reduction. A major difference would result in a 10 point deduction.	
Experience 30 points Up to 30 points are available to Insurers who can demonstrate they have Local Authority Engineering insurance inspection experience.	30
Experience can be defined by having 3 Public Sector clients.	
Risk Management advice / services 20 points	
Up to 20 points are available for risk management services or advice which is likely to assist in improving the risk or service administration	20



Sample Inspection & Service Requirements

The Council would require all bidders to provide access to a suitable system through which they can monitor the service and access the Inspection records. The following are the base requirements for such a system. Within the overall Service Criteria, the bidders proposed system will be assessed

1	Electronic Reporting	
2	Ability to view Advance Inspection Schedules - i.e. future inspections	
3	Ability to download inspection data into Excel or similar format	
4	Ability to add bespoke References i.e. Asset Numbers to enable use to reference the information	
5	Functionality to set Multiple users with different levels of access according to area of responsibility	
6	Plant Not Available reports	
7	Functionality for use to add new plant / location to the Schedule	
8	Functionality for users to add/store notes to the reports - i.e. progress or completion of defects	
9	Ability to draw down Management information on Inspection activity - inspections on time, Plant not available etc.	
10	Retrieval facility for previous Inspection reports i.e. not just the current inspection report for a piece of plant	
11	Ability to drill down at Department, location or plant type levels	
12	Diary system for following up defects	



Lot 4 - Personal Accident and Travel	
Tender Evaluation Criteria	
Criteria	Weighting
Price for Insurance cover	60%
Maximum points will be awarded to the lowest priced bidder taking into account any Long Term Agreement discounts. A formula will be used to adjust the scores of all remaining bidders to reflect the percentage difference in prices	
Assessment of Policy Cover	30%
Marks will be awarded for insurers able to offer cover as per the specification. Where cover enhancements or policy benefits can be provided at no additional charge to the Council, additional points will be awarded. Reductions will be made for areas where the insurer is unable to meet the full requirements of the specification and / or onerous policy conditions and exclusions are applicable	
If there are serious omissions in the policy cover no points will be awarded and the tender will be rejected. An example of this might be if there is no cover provided for members.	
All bidders are required to include a document which compares the cover they are offering against the cover being requested within this specification	
Claims Service	5%
This will be evaluated against the criteria shown within this Tender Document. Scores will be adjusted to take into account the difference between the services offered and those requested, together with the quality of the claims service and the claims management data available.	
Document/ Experience / Risk Management advice	5%
Marks will be awarded for quality of documentation together with the experience / commitment of the insurer to	



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the Personal Accident and Travel	
insurance market (including relevant local	
authority experience) and the Risk	
Management advice / services available	

Each of the four Criteria detailed above will be scored as follows

The Maximum points available for the whole tender is 1000

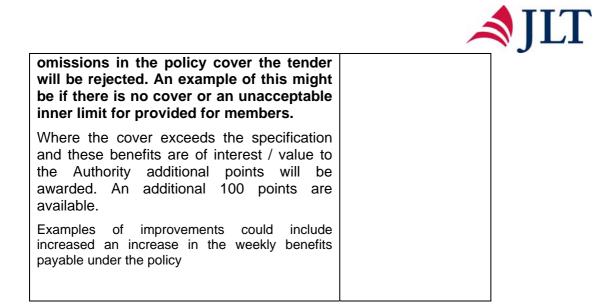
Price for insurance cover

The maximum points available for this section is 600 this will be allocated as shown below

Evaluation Methodology	Points available
Lowest price bidder.	550
Maximum points will be awarded to the lowest price bidder A formula will be used to adjust the scores of all remaining bidders to reflect the percentage difference in price. For each 1% higher the premium is than the lowest price quoted 5.5 points will be deducted.	
Guaranteed rates for the period of the LTA	50

Assessment of Policy Cover

Evaluation Methodology	Points available
Insurance Cover offered	300
A tender that meets the requirements of the ITT will be awarded 200 points	
Reductions will be made for areas where the insurer is unable to meet the full requirements of the specification or additional restrictive terms, conditions, exclusions or endorsements are imposed.	
The value of the points deducted will be based upon the potential financial impact on the Authority.	
The points will be reduced in multiples of 10 for minor differences i.e. one minor difference would result in a 10 point reduction. More significant differences would result a point reductions of 50 to 100 points, for example there is an unacceptable inner limit for individual employees.	
Please remember if there are serious	



Claims Service

Evaluation Methodology	Points available
The Authority expects all claims will be handled in a prompt professional manner.	50
Claims Service	
A tender that meets the requirements of the ITT will be awarded 30 points	
Reductions will be made for areas where the insurer is unable to meet the full requirements of the specification	
The value of the points deducted will be based upon the potential service impact on the Authority.	
The points will be reduced in multiples of 10 i.e. one minor difference would result in a 10 point reduction. An example could be response times on new claims being 1 day longer than requested. A more significant difference would result a point reduction of 50 points. This might be that 24 hour emergency contacts are not available.	
Where the service exceeds the specification and these benefits are of interest / value to the Authority additional points will be awarded. An additional 20 points are available.	
Examples of improvements could include a free phone telephone number for reporting claims, detailed quarterly claims analysis reports.	



Experience / Risk Management advice

Evaluation Methodology	Points available
Under this section a further 50 points are available	
Administration	
Up to 10 points are available to Insurers who provide comprehensive summaries of cover suitable for individuals travelling.	10
Experience	
Up to 20 points are available to Insurers who can demonstrate they have experience in providing Personal Accident and Travel Insurance to the Local Authority sector.	20
Experience can be defined by having 3 Public Sector clients with similar policy requirements	
Risk Management advice / services	
Up to 20 points are available for risk management consultancy time to be used for services chosen specifically by the client (this does not include services which may be available at an additional cost) the scores will be based on the time offered and the range of services available.	20



Lot 5 – Leasehold Buildings

Tender Selection Criteria

Criteria	Weighting
Price for Insurance cover Maximum points will be awarded to the lowest priced bidder for the preferred excess level taking into account any Long Term Agreements. A formula will be used to adjust the scores of all remaining bidders to reflect the percentage difference in prices	40%
Assessment of Policy Cover Full marks will be awarded for insurers able to offer cover as per the specification. Reductions will be made for areas where the insurer is unable to meet the full requirements of the specification and / or onerous policy conditions and exclusions are applicable If there are serious omissions in the policy cover no points will be awarded and the tender will be rejected. An example for this might be there is no cover provided for terrorism or Loss of Rent All bidders are required to include a document which compares the cover they are offering against the cover being requested within this specification.	30%
Claims Service This will be evaluated against the criteria shown within this Tender Document. Full marks will be awarded for bidders fully able to meet the claims handling specification. Scores will be adjusted to take into account the difference between the services offered and those requested together with the quality of claims handling (number of complaints) and the management data available. Administration	20%
Full marks will be awarded for bidders able to fully meet the administration specification as set our within this document. Scores will be adjusted to take into account the differences in services provided.	IU%



If the administration requirements are too onerous upon the Local Authority, no points will be awarded and the tender will be rejected.

Each of the four Criteria detailed above will be scored as follows:

The Maximum points available for the whole tender is 1000

Price for insurance cover

The maximum points available for this section is 500 this will be allocated as shown below

Evaluation Methodology	Points available
Lowest price bidder.	390
Maximum points will be awarded to the	
lowest price bidder A formula will be used to	
adjust the scores of all remaining bidders to	
reflect the percentage difference in price. For	
each 1% higher the premium is than the	
lowest price quoted 3.9 points will be	
removed	
Guaranteed rates for the period of the LTA	10

Assessment of Policy Cover

Evaluation Methodology	Points available
Insurance Cover offered A tender that meets the requirements of the ITT will be awarded 300 points Reductions will be made for areas where the insurer is unable to meet the full requirements of the specification or additional restrictive terms, conditions, exclusions or endorsements are imposed. The value of the points deducted will be based upon the potential financial impact on the Authority and Leaseholders. The points will be reduced in multiples of 10 for minor differences i.e. one minor difference would result in a 10 point reduction. An example could be if the limit for trace and access is £20 less than requested. More significant differences would result a point reductions of 50 to 100 points. Please remember if there are serious omissions in the policy cover the tender will be rejected. An example for this might be there is no cover provided for terrorism or Loss Rent.	300



Claims Service

The maximum points available for this section is 300. This will be allocated as shown below:

Evaluation Methodology	Points available
Claims Service	200
A tender that meets the requirements of the	
ITT will be awarded 200 points	
Reductions will be made for areas where the	
insurer is unable to meet the full	
requirements of the specification	
The value of the points deducted will be	
based upon the potential service impact on	
the Authority and Leaseholders.	
The points will be reduced in multiples of 10	
i.e. one minor difference would result in a 10	
point reduction. An example could be	
response times on issuing settlement	
cheques being 1 day longer than requested.	
More significant differences would result in a	
point reduction of 50 to 100 points. This	
might be that Loss Adjusters on large claims	
are not available within 24 hours or monthly	
claim listing reports are not available.	

Administration / Experience / Risk Management advice The maximum points available for this section is 100. This will be allocated as shown below:

Evaluation Methodology	Points available
Under this section a further 100 points are	100
available	
Full marks will be awarded where the bidder	
is fully able to meet the specification.	
Reductions in points will be made where	
bidders are unable to meet the specification.	
If the administration requirements are too	
onerous upon the Local Authority, no	
points will be awarded and the tender will	
be rejected.	
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