



HM Prison &
Probation Service

Probation Reform Programme – Dynamic Framework

Update



Dynamic Framework Overview

- The Dynamic Framework (DF) is a hybrid of a framework agreement and a dynamic purchasing system (DPS). The dynamic framework is the over-arching umbrella of probation services that we envisage regional probation directors and other authorities may commission in the future.
- Two Stages to the process
 - Onboarding onto the Dynamic Framework via the selection questionnaire
 - Call-off Competitions for specific services under the Dynamic Framework for example Accommodation in London.
- Day One Services are call-off competitions, bidders that are successful on the selection questionnaire will be invited to bid against each call-off competition for Day One Services.

Dynamic framework service categories

Category
Accommodation
Employment, Training, Education (ETE)
Finance, Benefits, Debt (FBD)
Dependency and Recovery
Family and Significant Others
Lifestyle and Associates
Emotional Wellbeing
Social Inclusion
Cognitive and Behavioural Change
Women
Young Adults (18 – 25 years old)
Black, Asian and Minority Ethnic (BAME)
Restorative Justice
Service User Involvement

Framework was launched in June 2020, for seven years, extendable up to three years.

These service categories will be fixed for the life of the framework: only services falling within these categories can be commissioned via the framework.

How qualification and tendering work

Framework

- To qualify for the framework, suppliers will have to demonstrate experience and provide case studies relevant to the need category that they are interested in, as well as answering standard selection criteria (e.g. essential information about the organisation; whether there have been convictions for fraud or corruption).
- To qualify for the framework, suppliers will have to accept the standard framework agreement which contains various terms and conditions which will apply to any call-offs within the framework.
- When qualifying, providers will also state (but this will not be assessed) their geographic areas of interest.
- The framework is dynamic, so providers can join at any time.

Call-offs

- When a commissioner (NPS or other) wishes to call off services, they will set out their requirements and the call-off terms and conditions and then invite bids from all suppliers who are pre-qualified for that need and geographic area. This is why it is important to pre-announce intended call-offs, to give any potential suppliers who are not yet qualified the opportunity to qualify (for that need and geography) before the call-off is launched.
- Bids will then be evaluated, and call-off contracts awarded, in line with the requirements and methodology options contained within the framework agreement (e.g. there will be options, which must be selected at call-off stage, re which payment mechanism to use or which evaluation method to use).

Day 1 and Future Call-off's

Once the Dynamic Framework is live authorities will be able to procure from the 14 service categories.

The first call-off's that will take place are services required immediately by the regional Probation Services. We are calling these Day One Call-off's, these will be commissioned within the first few months of the Dynamic Framework been live.

Any ongoing or new requirements from the regional Probation Services or any other authority such as local authorities, police forces etc. will be commissioned at a time relevant to them. These are Day Two services or future call-off's.

Day 1 Dynamic Framework

Regional Day 1 Call-Off Competitions	PCC-level Day 1 Call-Off Competitions	Regional Probation Directors commission services
<p>Accommodation</p> <p>Employment, Training and Education</p>	<p>Personal wellbeing</p> <p>Women's services</p> <p>Services for Young Adults in Wales</p>	<p>Dependency and Recovery</p> <p>Finance/ Benefits and Debt</p>

Summary

- The Dynamic Framework is being commissioned in categories.
- Providers need to qualify on to a framework for each category and then there will be specific 'call offs' with specific requests.
- Some of these will happen in advance of new world, so services will go live on day 1 post transition, and others will be after this point (see table on the next slide).
- MTC are committed to developing solutions and bidding for DF and are welcoming discussions with partners (current and new) around collaboration and joint working opportunities with.
- The link to apply: <https://www.mtcgroup.org.uk/2020/08/20/probation-dynamic-framework-partnership-opportunity/>

Draft Day 1 Call-Off Competition Plan

