

# Civil news: housing and debt and HPCDS tender opportunities

## News story

Tenders welcome to deliver housing and debt contract work and Housing Possession Court Duty Scheme services.



## **Housing and debt tender**

We are inviting tenders to deliver housing and debt contract work from 1 February 2022 until 31 August 2022 in the following procurement areas:

1. Cambridgeshire
2. City of Kingston upon Hull
3. Cheshire
4. Hampshire
5. Portsmouth and Isle of Wight
6. Shropshire
7. Staffordshire
8. South Tyneside
9. Trafford

## 10. Wigan

The opportunity to deliver housing and debt services is open to any organisation that can meet the minimum tender requirements. An organisation does not need to be a current legal aid provider to tender for this opportunity.

There is no limit to the number of contracts that can be awarded to deliver housing and debt services in a procurement area.

Applicants can bid to deliver housing and debt services in a procurement area through an office that is either a:

- permanent presence in the procurement area, or a
- part-time presence in the procurement area

### **HPCDS tender**

We are also inviting tenders to deliver services in the following Housing Possession Court Duty Scheme (HPCDS) areas:

1. Chester
2. Crewe
3. Hull
4. Mansfield
5. Portsmouth
6. Stafford

Services will start on 1 February until 30 September 2022, except for Mansfield HPCDS which will start on 21 February 2022.

Organisations may bid for housing and debt contract work and/or HPCDS contract work through this procurement process. They are not required to bid for both housing and debt and HPCDS.

However, organisations bidding for an HPCDS contract must hold, or successfully bid for as part of this procurement process, a 2018 Standard Civil Contract. This needs to include authorisation in the housing and debt

categories of law.

When awarding HPCDS contracts preference will be given to organisations:

- with recent and relevant experience of delivering HPCDS services
- with an office in the corresponding housing and debt procurement area
- who can start delivering work on the contract start date

The Legal Aid Agency (LAA) is seeking to award one contract for each of the HPCDS areas listed above.

### **How to apply**

Tenders must be submitted using the LAA's eTendering system.

### **Tender deadline**

The tender opened on 2 December 2021 and closes at 5pm on 23 December 2021.

### **Further information**

[Civil tender activity 2021](#) – to find out more and download documents

[eTendering system](#) – to submit your tender

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