# Periodic Indicative Notice (PIN) Request Form



### 1 Introduction

- 1.1 A Periodic Indicative Notice (PIN) is a type of notice which can be published to the Official Journal of the European Union (OJEU) and its primary purpose is for Market Engagement. PIN notices are also useful for alerting the market to an imminent procurement.
- 1.2 A PIN is a request for information, it is not a competition, from a potential suppliers point of view there is nothing to win at this stage. A PIN must have a closing date. There is no minimum timescale which a PIN must be left out for and the maximum duration is 12 months.
- 1.3 If you require information from the market, complete and return to the Regulated Procurement Team

# 2 Information required

(a)	The	e type of the contract, Goods, Works or Services (mark with an X)			
		Goods			
		Works			
		Services	Χ		

(b) The name of the contracting entity (i.e. United Utilities Water Limited)

United Utilities Water Limited

(c) Name of the Procurement (as per CCMP-0.005 Procurement Naming Convention)

DWMP23 third party options

(d)	Procurement Reference (if known)			

(e) A short description of the scope of the procurement (this will appear on the notice) (maximum 1000 characters)

As part of its Drainage and Wastewater Management Plan (DWMP), United Utilities is committed to explore proposals for alternative options in either demand or capacity management for evaluation alongside those developed internally. These options will be considered in the development of our first Drainage and Wastewater Management Plan which will cover the period from 2025 – 2050.

United Utilities Water provides water and wastewater services to homes and businesses across North West England. We serve over 7 million customers, collecting over 1,200 million litres of used water and take it along 72,000 kilometers of pipes and sewers to our wastewater treatment works, before returning it to the rivers and sea. Over 50% of the sewer networks in the North West are combined. As part of our Drainage and Wastewater Management plan we are investigating possibilities to strengthen the resilience of our

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wastewater network by helping us to improve performance despite increasing demand and pressure on capacity as a result of climate change, population growth and urban creep.

### Detailed description of the scope of the procurement (maximum 4000 characters) (f)

We are looking for proposals for alternative options in either demand or capacity management for evaluation alongside those developed internally that deliver:

- 1. Improve efficiency and delivery benefits for a lower cost for customers;
- 2. Identify innovative market led solutions to managing long term resilience pressures for drainage and wastewater management;
- 3. Enhance the natural capital of the north west, providing wider benefits for
- 4. Sustainable solutions to water quality and sewer flooding risk.

Through the DWMP we want to deliver a plan which demonstrate best value for customers by investigating innovative routes for delivery. We also want to hear from organisations that can offer innovation to improve our management of drainage and wastewater in catchments, aligned with our Catchment Systems Thinking approach<sup>1</sup>. We would like to consider options across the range of risks we manage, a number of examples for third party options are included below:

- Measures related to demand reduction from surface water inputs to the sewer network. Examples: surface water attenuation, SuDS, natural flood management.
- Measures which involve working with partners to manage risk to water quality through interventions on catchment land. Examples: diffuse nutrient management to contribute to offsetting.
- Measures which involve managing demand from domestic or business customers.
- Measures involving engineered solutions to improve drainage and/or water quality.

Suppliers of the measures could be one or more of the following:

Land owners / land users - Land owners or land users located within the geographical area supplied by United Utilities whose activities have an impact on environmental water quality e.g. industrial and agricultural users who could provide catchment offsetting.

Design partners - Organisations who can offer a design of services which would provide a benefit to demand or capacity in the drainage and wastewater system. This could be through services or technologies which could be adopted by United Utilities.

**Delivery partners** - Organisations who can offer delivery of services which would provide a benefit to demand or capacity in the drainage and wastewater system. This could be through services or technologies which could be adopted by United Utilities.

Operational partners - Organisations who can offer ongoing operation solutions outlined above.

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# **Timescales for implementation**

The Drainage and Wastewater Management Plan is planning for long term resilience of drainage and wastewater in the UK. Through the plan we are considering risks which could impact on the resilience of the drainage and wastewater system between 2025 and 2050. As such this PIN notice is looking to identify opportunities which could be built upon and developed through the price review process for implementation in the period 2025 to 2030 and beyond. In addition we will consider options which are not available now, but which could be developed over time.

Impact on United Utilities existing network management and maintenance activities

United Utilities Water has a significant number of operational staff and partner
organisation that daily manage a wastewater network consisting of over 72,000 km of
sewers and more than 3.2m connected properties. Any options highlighted through this
process need to be considered in the context of that ongoing management and
maintenance activity. We will need to work with bidders to develop delivery strategies to
ensure that any benefits can be realised without disrupting critical operational activities of
impacting on the level of service to customers.

## Cost of the bid that is offered

United Utilities will carefully consider the costs of the proposals that are offered. We will compare the cost of the option being offered, to the costs of us developing a similar solution. In cost assessments, wider benefits (e.g. carbon, natural capital) will be taken into account.

(g)	(g) The date and time that the opportunity will close					
		Date	27/10/2021	Time	12:00	

(h)	(h) The CPV codes relevant to the procurement (Main CPV must be highlighted in Bold)				

# (i) Place of Performance?

North West England

(j) Where geographically will the contract be performed (if different from main place of performance)

Across the region supplied by United Utilities Water

# (k) Additional Information (maximum 4000 characters)

As a minimum include the following, plus add any other requirements as you see fit.

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If you have experience in this area please could you provide at a minimum the following information and submit to the United Utilities Regulatory Procurement Team mailbox: RegulatoryProcurementTeam@uuplc.co.uk

- Company Name
- Contact details, including location telephone and e-mail address, main point of contact and position in Company
- Is option being offered in collaboration with any other company/entity? If so, provide details in line with the above

## **Option information**

- a. Option name
- b. Whether the option is for the provision demand or capacity management.
- c. Whether your organisation is submitting an option which provides one or multiple of the below:
  - Land owners or land users located within the geographical area supplied by United Utilities whose activities have an impact on environmental water quality e.g. industrial and agricultural users.
  - Organisations who can offer a design of services which would provide a benefit to demand or capacity management for drainage and wastewater.
  - Organisations who can offer a delivery of services which would provide a benefit to demand or capacity management for drainage and wastewater.
  - Organisations who can offer ongoing operation of solutions outlined above.
- d. A brief description of the option with details of the high level location of potential activities. If possible, including a map to visually illustrate the location.
- e. If the option is for the provision surface water management, we will require:
- i. The type of surface water management your proposal incorporates (for example: attenuation basin, natural flood management, wetland etc.).
- ii. Detail of the quantities of water that the option would provide attenuation for, at its full capacity.
- iii. Information relating to land ownership and whether you are engaged with land owners regarding surface water management.
- f. If the option involves catchment management, we will require:
- i. The area intended to be covered.
- ii. A brief description of the option, explaining the type catchment management services being offered such as farmyard management plans.
- iii. The benefit to river water quality targeted nutrients and expected reduction (kg/year).
- g. Existing relationships with relevant land owners and users within the area.
- h. An estimate of the likely lead time to investigate and implement the option.
- i. What further work is required to investigate the feasibility of the option, if so required.
- j. Whether you have assessed any of the costs associated with the option and if so, what these are.
- k. Details of any risks and uncertainties associated with the option.

# (I) Estimated date of publication of Contract Notice?

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(m) Supporting Documents (scope documents, explanatory document, templates for completion etc)					
	Document Filename	DWMP23 Options PIN Response Template	Version Number	3.0	
	Document Filename	PIN Notice DWMP23 – Additional Information	Version Number	7.0	
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