Item 5 - Appendix 3: CCC Consultants Framework – A comparison with other Frameworks in the market place

Cambridgeshire County Council Objectives & Requirements of a Consultants Framework	LGSS Consultants Framework	Built Environment Consultancy Services (BECS – Scape)	Project Management and Full Design Team Services (PMFDTS - Crown Commercial Service)	Bloom	ESPO
Clear, transparent and auditable	Yes Procured under OJEU Rules. However, no real direction regarding processes and procedures. No Framework support.	Yes Procured under OJEU Rules and Guidance and Framework support is comprehensive.	Yes Procured under OJEU Rules and Guidance and Framework support is clear but not comprehensive.	Yes Procured under OJEU Rules and Guidance and Framework support is comprehensive.	Yes Procured under OJEU Rules and Guidance and Framework support is available on request.
Maximum framework rates offered are considered competitive in the current market climate	Yes Competitive market tender process undertaken. There is an option for rate reviews during the contract period.	Yes Competitive market tender process undertaken. There is an option for rate reviews during the contract period.	Yes Competitive market tender process undertaken. There is an option for rate reviews during the contract period.	No Services would need to be defined and procured on a project by project basis.	No Services would need to be defined and procured on a project by project basis.
Can works with the existing CCC Design & Build Contractors Framework and provides the required Core Services	No NEC supervisor is not provided so a separate procurement exercise is required.	Yes	No NEC supervisor is not provided so a separate procurement exercise is required.	Yes Services must be defined on a project by project basis	Yes Services must be defined on a project by project basis

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Fixed rates for a three year period	Yes Expires 2020 (with the 1 year extension)	Yes Expires 2021	Yes Expires 2019	No Services would need to be defined and procured on a project by project basis.	No Services would need to be defined and procured on a project by project basis.
Ability to appoint consultants via mini-tender and direct	No There are conditions to direct appointment i.e. ranking based on price	Yes You can request to use one specific consultant based on experience etc	No There are conditions to direct appointment i.e. ranking	No Mini-tender only	No Mini-tender only
Service providers should be able to work primarily on Education capital projects, but also be dynamic enough to be able to work on other Local Authority lead Capital projects e.g. offices, libraries, care homes, residential etc.	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Professional services contract needs to be compatible with NEC 3 contract	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Ability to procure services for MS1-7 but allow for separate appointment of feasibility work	No Requires consultants to be	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

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(MS1 stage), and then an option to appoint or go back out to tender for MS2-7	appointed separately so a separate procurement exercise is required				
More direct control over procurement, appointment and management of consultants	No	No	No	Yes	Yes
Ability to offer partnership working and an assurance that the service providers' teams will provide continuity of teams working on projects Fixed % payment schedule for each milestone in each band so that the County Council can more accurately predict in-year spend forecasting and year end	No As the procurement was out of the County Council's control. No	No As the procurement was out of the County Council's control. ?	No As the procurement was out of the County Council's control. ?	No As procurement is done on a project by project basis. Yes	No As procurement is done on a project by project basis. Yes
Continuous improvement measures, measured by KPI's	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
No annual charge to the County Council	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes
Does the Framework provided added value e.g. continuity of service, support with KPI	No Could only be developed after	Yes	No Could only be developed after	No Consultants are procured on a	No Consultants are procured on a

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monitoring and poor performance,	long term use and		long term use and	project by	project by project
innovation	development of		development of	project basis	basis
	relationships.		relationships.		