

North East Warm Homes (One Stop Shop) Engagement Event: Questions and Answers Log

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Question Received		Answer
1	Does TUPE apply to the existing Home Energy Advice North East service?	The contract for the existing service will end on 31 October 2025. The North East Warm Homes (OSS) is a new service not a continuation. TUPE does not apply.
2	Do you want us to bring our own local supply chain or use a specific procurement system?	There is no specific procurement system. One of the requirements of the contract is to engage with and develop the local North East supply chain.
3	Regarding comms, are there any communications channels the current initiatives are using that you want to continue with?	This is a new service, and providers will develop a new brand and communications strategy.
4	Are accepting consortium bids?	Yes, we're open to consortium bids, there would need to be a lead bidder named in the tender submission.
	Correction to response to Q1	In a correction to our previous response (Q1). Due to the scale and complex nature of this provision, suppliers should seek their own legal advice as to the applicability of TUPE and as to the effect of the TUPE clause contained in the contract Terms and Conditions.