

Approved Enforcement Agency Services Contract Awarded



HMCTS has today announced its intention to award new contracts for Approved Enforcement Agency (AEA) Services, to include all Warrants of Control and Warrants of Arrest in relation to the enforcement of unpaid criminal financial impositions.

The award follows a rigorous procurement exercise and successful bidders are as follows:

Region	Contractor
London	JBW Group
Midlands	JBW Group
North East	Marston Holdings Ltd
North West	Marston Holdings Ltd
South East	JBW Group
South West	Marston Holdings Ltd
Wales	Jacobs
Secondary Provider A (North East, North West, South West and Wales)	JBW Group
Provider B (London, Midlands and South East)	Marston Holdings Ltd

A 10-day standstill period is now being observed in accordance with procurement regulations, after which the contracts will be awarded and signed.

The new contracts will see savings for the Ministry of Justice of c£4.8 million per year over the next five years and will allow robust performance reporting and monitoring to be implemented. Strict protocols are in place to ensure the highest standard of conduct of contractors and complaint handling procedures. Each company will be subject to strict oversight, ensuring all defendants are treated with respect in line with established codes of conduct.

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