

New strategic partners appointed for GPA

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The <u>Government Property Agency (GPA)</u> has appointed two new strategic partners to provide professional services for its Capital Programmes.

The new contracts cover, design, and specialist services for the Government Hubs and Whitehall Campus Programmes and a variety of client funded projects. The strategic partners will work collaboratively with the GPA to deliver projects that will drive economic growth throughout the UK, help transform the Civil Service, contribute to wider greening government commitments and add value through a smaller, better and greener public estate.

Following a comprehensive procurement process via the Crown Commercial Services Estates Management Services framework, WSP has been awarded design services, and Tetra Tech has been awarded the specialist services.

The contracts are for an initial four-year term, with up to three-year extension options.

Parliamentary Secretary for the Cabinet Office, Minister Alex Burghart, said: "The GPA has a pivotal role to play in the government's wider Civil Service transformation agenda, creating more productive and efficient workplaces for the civil servants who are working tirelessly to address some of the biggest challenges facing our country.

"It is vital that the GPA draws on the talent of specialist expertise in order to develop innovative solutions, ensuring the GPA delivers on its commitments, while also ensuring best value for taxpayer money."

Clive Anderson, Director of Capital Projects at the Government Property Agency, said:"Our newly-appointed strategic partners will provide the GPA with industry-leading professional services support for up to seven years, enabling more efficient project delivery, greater value for money across the most diverse and challenging real estate programmes in the UK.

"Social value was a key element within this tender process, with a focus on tackling economic inequality through the creation of employment, training and growth in all regions of the UK; and driving sustainability benefits through Net Zero interventions."



Paul Tremble, Chief Strategy Officer at WSP, said: "WSP is delighted to be partnering with the GPA to provide design services for its Capital Programme. At a time when driving sustainable economic growth across the UK is so important, we look forward to deploying the breadth of our design and engineering expertise to support the GPA's delivery of a greener and more efficient public estate."

Craig Hatch, EUD Division president at Tetra Tech, said: "We are delighted to be able to apply our Leading with Science® approach to the GPA's Capital Programme. It will enable us to work collaboratively to provide wider specialist expertise in the design, build and launch of government hubs over the coming years. We will bring specialist techniques in secure buildings, heritage estates, net zero and decarbonisation."