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CHIC DPS

# GROUNDS MAINTENANCE

AVAILABLE FOR CHIC MEMBERS

# DYNAMIC PURCHASING SYSTEM (DPS)

## A FLEXIBLE ALTERNATIVE ROUTE TO MARKET

CHIC has a comprehensive DPS, offering a wide selection of categories across all service areas. Contract selection and awards under the DPS must be via a competitive mini tender; CHIC will support and guide members during the tender process, all run through the CHIC eSourcing portal.

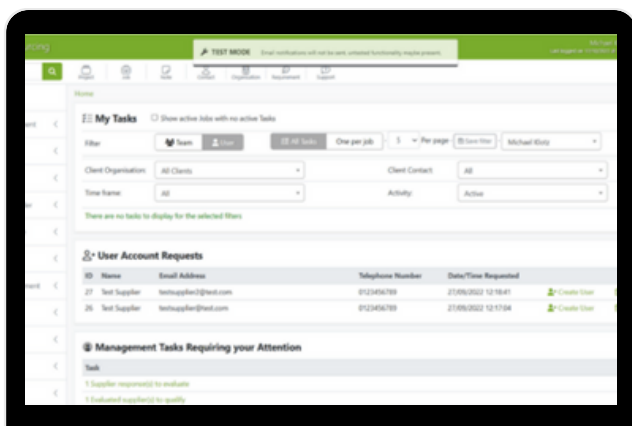
### Advantages to members of using the DPS are:

- Contractors and suppliers can join the relevant category at any time
- If leaseholder consultation is required (s20 works) for a project or programme, then the DPS still enables an efficient route to market
- CHIC agrees with the member the level of engagement they require.

**All CHIC tendering opportunities and contract notices can be found on the:**

## CHIC ESOURCING PLATFORM

All contracts procured through CHIC's DPS must be via mini tender. CHIC invites the registered DPS contractors or suppliers to tender, following PCR 2015 regulations and your agreed specification, remaining compliant at all stages in the process. Those who are interested will enter the tender process and the most advantageous tender will be awarded to deliver the required services.



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Please contact [tenders@chicltd.co.uk](mailto:tenders@chicltd.co.uk)  
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# GROUNDS MAINTENANCE

**REFERENCE NO: 2017/S 207-428123**

**AWARDED: 25/10/2017**

Grounds maintenance is an essential aspect of maintaining social housing and construction sites. It includes a range of activities such as grass cutting, hedge trimming, weed control and general upkeep of communal areas. Ensuring that these areas are well maintained is not only important for the safety and well being of residents and workers but also for maintaining the aesthetic appeal of the properties. Therefore, it is imperative for organisations to have a compliant route to market for this service.

CHIC's Dynamic Purchasing System (DPS) is an effective way to procure grounds maintenance services, providing a flexible and streamlined approach that allows organisations to engage with pre vetted suppliers who are capable of delivering high quality services.

It offers a convenient service for Registered Providers of Social Housing, Local Authorities, Blue Light Services, Education NHS, and all other contracting authorities in the United Kingdom.

**The DPS is split into three different Lots as below:**

**Lot 1:** Grounds Maintenance

**Lot 2:** Arboriculture Works

**Lot 3:** Site Surveying



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## Lot 1: Grounds Maintenance

Grounds maintenance services to include (but not limited to) grass cutting (drop/collect/mulch), pathway de-weeding and clearance (cuttings removal), pathway cleaning (moss and algae clearance), shrub pruning, bed clearance and soil turning, raised bed clearance and soil turning.

## Lot 2: Arboriculture Works

CHIC members will be responsible for a wide range of trees, which require a combination of routine maintenance of established trees and reactive tree works. The volume of planned tree works will be determined and will vary from routine tree work to tree planting.

## Lot 3: Site Surveying

Site surveying using the latest technology to include (but not limited to) GPS mapping to determine accurate site layout and site content. Content may include the location and identification of grassed areas, borders, raised orders, shrubs and trees, which require maintenance by service providers in Lot 1 of this DPS.

## Additional information

All members using this DPS, reserve the right to combine any / all of the above categories into a single contract, if this occurs only those awarded service providers who are successfully approved onto those categories (and geographical regions) will be eligible to be invited to tender for the opportunity.



# MORE ABOUT CHIC

CHIC is a not for profit, member owned and governed asset management consortium. We offer a wide selection of services for our members in the affordable housing sector, for other public sector bodies and for charities. We provide procurement and contract support solutions, delivering savings, efficiencies and added social value.

## Membership

Membership of CHIC is open to any housing association, public sector body or charity. It is free to join and members can use as few or as many of our services as they choose.

## Services

CHIC provides a comprehensive selection of services. Together, these provide a full suite of contractor and supply chain solutions for affordable housing landlords and other public sector bodies, across their asset management and development programmes. All services are underpinned by a range of frameworks, a dynamic purchasing system (DPS) and some long-term contracts.



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# THE TEAM

Please get in touch

CHIC supports members to secure access to a wide range of contractors, suppliers, merchants and consultants from our frameworks and contracts, through mini-competition or direct award. We fully support the procurement process, with dedicated member services and supply chain management support.

Once contracts are awarded, we provide ongoing member advice and reporting, including comprehensive commercial catalogue management and value for money reporting.

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