

Introduction – Susan Lussem, Supply Chain Director

On behalf of everyone at Sellafield I would like to take the opportunity, at the end of this financial year and the beginning of the new one, to recognise our dedicated suppliers and partners that have been working tirelessly to maintain supply to our sites during the challenging time of the past few years.

Together we are fully committed to creating a clean and safe environment for future generations and you are a critical element of ensuring this goal.

You have been supplying products and services without interruption, for which we are grateful. Your support is much appreciated to continue delivering our mission.

We are dedicated to supporting you and improving our supply chain experience, ensuring our collaboration continues to build stronger and more strategic relationships.

Thank you again

Susan Lussem
Executive Supply Chain Director



Spotlight on CCF

Cumbria Community Foundation (CCF) is an independent charity that connects people who care with causes that matter. It is one of Cumbria's foremost grant makers, supporting more than 500 community projects each year on behalf of its fundholders.

In 2019, Sellafield Ltd commissioned CCF to compile a summary of social needs and community issues within west Cumbria which can be found here <https://www.cumbriafoundation.org/community-needs/west-cumbria-opportunities-and-challenges/>

There are some real needs and issues in our communities that need addressing. Whatever and wherever they are, you can usually find a charity or community project that is working to help change the situation.

The support CCF receive from its fundholders and supporters enables these groups to do what they do best – helping improve lives in Cumbria. You can learn more about its work at www.cumbriafoundation.org

Increasingly, CCF work with donors and supporters to develop a more programmatic approach to its grant making. Transforming West Cumbria is a minimum of three-years social investment programme to help the area's most vulnerable communities. Forming part of Sellafield Ltd's social impact multiplied SiX programme, it aims to put local people in charge of their own futures by addressing the needs of our communities and the root causes of the problems that they face.

To find out more about how your organisation can support the Transforming West Cumbria programme or address other social needs with CCF in a collaborative way, contact the Sellafield Ltd Social Impact team SocialImpact@Sellafieldsites.com
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Carbon Management

Further to our previous correspondence, you will be aware that the Sellafield Supply Chain Directorate is exploring Carbon Management / Offsetting programmes within our supply chain for products/services intended for Sellafield.

We would appreciate relevant information and feedback by 22nd April via a response to supply_chain.enquiries@sellafieldsites.com

SME Forum Update

A huge thank you to those who were able to attend our latest SME Forum on 28th March.

It is your commitment that adds value and helps create opportunities for all attendees, and there were some valuable discussions.

We are delighted that our work on the SME agenda, introducing a new, more robust approach aligned with our colleagues in collaboration with the NDA and our supply chain was acknowledged during our discussions.

Another opportunity highlighted at the event was Sellafield's intention to understand the carbon management plans within our supply chain, information required from our SMEs before we discuss with our other suppliers.

As mentioned previously, we aim for these sessions to be a follow on from the previous event and will include relevant speakers and updates.

Louise Firby and Brian Benison were very insightful sharing their plans and progress on the Accounts Payable and Group Business Solutions. We will provide further information on a regular basis.

Susan Lussem will speak at the next event, keep a look out in future bulletins and social media for our 'save the date' and registration. We look forward to seeing you at future events.

Living with Covid guidance

In line with the Government's changes in Covid legislation which came into effect on 1 April, Sellafield Ltd has made changes to the way it manages the risk of Covid.

Following the Government's move to stop providing PCR and Lateral Flow Test to most members of the public, Sellafield Ltd closed its on-site PCR test and trace facility on 31 March and no longer provides LFTs to employees.

With the removal of the legal obligation to self-isolate, even if you test positive, Sellafield Ltd has introduced new absence management processes which respect the national legislation.

Our procedures are shaped around allowing people to continue to be productive if they have tested positive but still feel well enough to work.

We're also encouraging our employees to maintain the 'good habits' learned through the pandemic, such as regular sanitisation of hands and shared work areas, good hygiene, ventilating rooms and wearing masks in crowded enclosed areas.

As always, our top priority is to maintain a safe and secure nuclear site and our 'Living with Covid' guidance for employees allows us to do that, while also progressing our nationally important hazard and risk reduction work.

Prime Contractor Spotlight

Mitie are an Integrated Facilities Management service, providing a range of services to Sellafield Ltd including engineering, maintenance, projects, changerooms, cleaning, security, waste, grounds maintenance and catering services.

Mitie has supported Sellafield since 2003, building on its initial cleaning contract to now providing a fully Integrated Facilities Management service across its sites, as well as other locations in Cumbria and Warrington.

Mitie are involved in various projects at Sellafield varying from roof replacements, new canteen installs and electrical connections to full office refurbishments.

Recent achievements include Hinton House office refurbishment, external charging sockets, laundry lift replacement and the Office to Canteen Conversion. Mitie were also integral during the COVID-19 pandemic, setting up and managing the track and trace testing facility as well as continuing to provide vital services to keep the site functional and operational.

The company work with a number of SMEs at Sellafield, including Meldrums, Thomas Graham, OTIS, Clark Doors, ALTRAD, Stobbarts Limited, William Kings, DSD Construction, Enigma, HCS Water Hygiene, NIBS Battery Works and OPTTECH Fibres.

For further information, please contact Lesley Sewell (Lesley.sewell@mitie.com).



Programme and Project Partners announce winners of third multi-million pound framework

The Programme and Project Partners have announced the winners of a mechanical and pipework framework agreement. [Programme and Project Partners announce winners of multi-million pound framework - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](#)

Cumbrian businesses join forces to drive 'heartbeat of the local economy'

Two locally based companies have formed a collaborative partnership to help deliver a key programme of work on the Sellafield site. [Cumbrian businesses join forces to drive 'heartbeat of the local economy' - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](#)

SME Spotlight

The Harrison Network specialise in 'enabling organisations to develop soft skills for tough jobs'.

"We help organisations develop great cultures where people can thrive and teams can do their best work," says Lucy Harrison, Director. "I strongly believe that a business delivers its best performance when it is also a place where people thrive and grow."

The Harrison Network delivers the Step Up programme directly to Sellafield, encouraging a more entrepreneurial approach to leading projects and teams. Network associates also collaborate with OneAIM on the Speak Up? programme, to improve psychological safety in the workplace.

Together these programmes have increased engagement, improved project outcomes, reduced conflict, improved stakeholder relationships and encouraged innovation at the Sellafield site.

And these successes have helped Lucy win business elsewhere in the nuclear industry so that she's now employing others in the local community.

"But there are barriers for SMEs," she says. "The paperwork, the evidence of capability, the often short-term nature of the available smaller contracts." So she is working to lower the barriers by facilitating the Swimming with the Big Fish (SWTBF) project.

"I helped bring together SMEs, Tier 2s and Sellafield to seek solutions," says Lucy.

"We hope the emergent SWTBF Matchmaker service will enable more local collaborations, encourage more long-term contracts, and, as a result, create more social and economic value delivered here in Cumbria."

HARRISON NETWORK



New robotics hub opens in West Cumbria

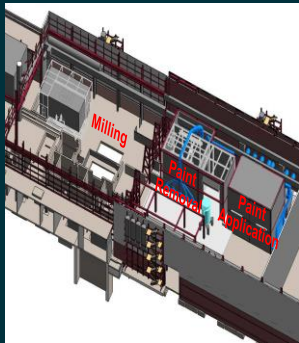
A new facility in Whitehaven is the first network of robotics and artificial intelligence collaboration hubs across the UK. Known as RAICo1, the facility will ultimately be used by Sellafield Ltd, supply chain partners and academia to develop the technology needed to decommission Sellafield and other sites like it. [New robotics hub opens in West Cumbria - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](#)

Sellafield construction project brings in new digital experience

One of our largest major projects is successfully using digital modelling to accelerate project delivery. [Sellafield construction project brings in new digital experience - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](#)

Opportunity for Flask Maintenance and Refurbishment

Do you have significant capability within design, supply and installation items of plant for flask maintenance and refurbishment?



Project Requirements (4 Procurement Lots)

1. Milling Machine
2. Paint Removal Facility
3. Paint Application Facility
4. Ground Based Transportation Vehicle

On-site Installation into an existing facility

We are currently engaged in a Technical Dialogue exercise where the opportunity to participate can be viewed on our Complete Tender Management System. https://sharedsystems.eu-supply.com/app/rfq/rw/entrance_s.asp?PID=15616&B=SELLAFIELD Where interested suppliers will be able to submit a response via CTM.



CTM support is available at CSAS@sellafieldsites.com

The Infrastructure Delivery Partnership (IDP)

The Infrastructure Delivery Partnership (IDP) Procurement Team will be undertaking further market engagement by issuing another Prior Indicative Notice (PIN) in the next few weeks.

We will be seeking supply chain feedback on the proposed profit ranges for the Strategic Partner and the Delivery Partners alongside feedback on the proposed overhead cap. We will also be sharing the functional specification and the contractual structure.

Sellafield Ltd will consider all feedback and any decision to incorporate any proposal or make amendments will be taken by Sellafield Ltd.

Please check on CTM for further information (CTMPP 7627).

Use of Seascale village car park

Following a number of complaints from local residents, we are asking workers who travel to and from the Sellafield site on a daily basis and use the village car park, to cease using the car park as a pick up and/or drop off location with colleagues and to refrain from using company crew buses for this purpose.

Also, please do not leave vehicles on the car park overnight, unless the driver of the vehicle is a resident of Seascale or staying in the village.

We fully recognise that the car park is free at the point of use. However, in our efforts to be a good neighbour within the local area, we ask that you be respectful of the needs of local residents in terms of our behaviours and the continued use of local amenities.

How to access opportunities in our Supply Chain

We welcome contact from suppliers who are able to help us progress safely, at pace and with added value as detailed in our [strategy](#). Sellafield Ltd follows procurement regulations and publicly competes all direct opportunities.

Our website holds all the information on procurement routes, however you can also check for live contract opportunities via our Complete Tender Management system (CTM). Visit [here](#) and click on 'current tender opportunities' on the left of the home page.

Suppliers can review the latest Procurement Plan schedule on the Sellafield Ltd [website](#) which lists the procurements that will be tendered in the coming months/years.

If your company is an SME then you can also qualify for LINC with Sellafield Ltd, which is a platform that enables SMEs at a local and national level to collaborate and deliver innovative solutions to the mission at Sellafield.

To qualify please log in to CTM and navigate to **RFQ 10536 - LINC Qualification**.

As well as dealing with Sellafield Ltd directly, there are also opportunities to deal with Sellafield Ltd indirectly via one of our 'prime contractors' - [here](#)

We also use national procurement frameworks through Crown Commercial Services: www.crowncommercial.gov.uk

Company Updates and Announcements

Reminder - for any updates please visit our website [here](#)

Social Media

For business updates and contract opportunities please visit the Sellafield LinkedIn page at <https://www.linkedin.com/company/sellafield-ltd/>

New events

Events

Game Changers Innovation Festival

Sign up to the first ever Game Changers innovation festival on 11th May at Rosehill Theatre, Whitehaven.

The day will include technology demonstrations, exhibitions and lightning talks. Find out about cutting edge technologies and meet the innovators behind the technology.

Places are limited: [Sign up now to reserve your place](#) and [View the event programme](#).

NDA's supply chain event

The event was due to take place on 3rd February 2022 at The International Centre, Telford, but was postponed due to the ongoing Coronavirus outbreak. This will now be held on **21st July 2022** – click [here](#) for more information.