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CCS supports the public sector to achieve maximum commercial value when procuring common goods and services. In 2021/22, CCS helped the public sector to achieve commercial benefits equal to £2.8 billion - supporting world-class public services that offer best value for taxpayers.

The framework contract was awarded in August and will be for a period of two years with the option to extend for a further two. The appointment will see the firm advise on a wide range of areas including: administrative and public law, charities law, contracts, competition law, corporate law, data protection, education, employment, energy, healthcare and social care, immigration, information technology, infrastructure, intellectual property, international trade, life sciences, licensing law, litigation and dispute resolution, outsourcing/insourcing, media law, pensions, planning and environment, public procurement, public inquests and inquiries, real estate and construction, restructuring and insolvency, social housing, tax and transport law.

This is now the tenth government sector framework that Browne Jacobson has been appointed to.

Anja Beriro who is the client relationship partner for CCS's Public Sector Legal Services Framework said: "Following our appointment as one of CCS's core legal advisors last year, we are thrilled to now be named as a supplier on this new framework, where we will provide a holistic high-quality service offering that reflects the diverse and innovative specialisms that we as a firm have a strong reputation for. We are looking forward to continuing our work with CCS, Government, and the wider public sector and supporting them in their strategy to provide first class public services that offer the best value for taxpayers and to tackle a wide range of societal issues."

Browne Jacobson's government sector client portfolio is made up of local authorities, housing providers, NHS bodies, central government departments and arm's length bodies. In addition to their work with CCS, the firm are strategic panel members to the National Procurement for Wales. The team provide a comprehensive range of services to public bodies covering administrative law, governance, commercial and procurement, property, employment, health and Safety, liability litigation, inquiries and function specific advice. The national practice is recognised nationally as 'a true heavyweight' in the public sector by independent legal directories, Chambers & Partners and Legal 500.

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