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Contract

## **External Audit Services**

Connexus Homes Limited  
Rise Partnership Developments Limited  
Floreat Living Limited  
Connexus Enterprise Limited  
Herefordshire Capital plc

F03: Contract award notice

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## **Section I: Contracting authority**

### **I.1) Name and addresses**

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Buyer's address

[https://www.mytenders.co.uk/search/Search\\_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA7601](https://www.mytenders.co.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA7601)

**I.1) Name and addresses**

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### **I.1) Name and addresses**

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**I.2) Information about joint procurement**

The contract involves joint procurement

#### **I.4) Type of the contracting authority**

Other type

Housing Association

#### **I.5) Main activity**

Housing and community amenities

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## **Section II: Object**

### **II.1) Scope of the procurement**

#### **II.1.1) Title**

External Audit Services

#### **II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 79212000 - Auditing services

#### **II.1.3) Type of contract**

Services

#### **II.1.4) Short description**

Provision of External Audit Services for Connexus Homes Limited and its subsidiaries.

#### **II.1.6) Information about lots**

This contract is divided into lots: No

#### **II.1.7) Total value of the procurement (excluding VAT)**

Value excluding VAT: £160,000

### **II.2) Description**

#### **II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 79212100 - Financial auditing services
- 79210000 - Accounting and auditing services
- 79212300 - Statutory audit services
- 79200000 - Accounting, auditing and fiscal services

#### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UKG - West Midlands (England)

Main site or place of performance

Shropshire and Herefordshire

#### **II.2.4) Description of the procurement**

The aim of this tender is to appoint a single organisation that can provide external audit services for Connexus Homes Limited (the parent) and its subsidiaries as follows;

One design and build company

A Property Company

A “for profit” maintenance company

One treasury vehicle

One Annual audit and one interim audit and associated support and advice will be required for all companies, as well as attendance at Connexus’ Audit and Risk Committee and Connexus Homes Limited Board meetings as required.

#### **II.2.5) Award criteria**

Quality criterion - Name: Written Submission / Weighting: 60

Quality criterion - Name: Interview / Weighting: 10

Price - Weighting: 30

#### **II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: No

#### **II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds**

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

#### **II.2.14) Additional information**

The proposed start date of this contract is 1st January 2022; Connexus will require services from this date.

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## **Section IV. Procedure**

### **IV.1) Description**

#### **IV.1.1) Type of procedure**

Open procedure

#### **IV.1.8) Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)**

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

### **IV.2) Administrative information**

#### **IV.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure**

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## **Section V. Award of contract**

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

### **V.2) Award of contract**

#### **V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract**

4 January 2022

#### **V.2.2) Information about tenders**

Number of tenders received: 2

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 1

Number of tenders received from tenderers from other EU Member States: 0

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 2

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 2

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: No

#### **V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor**



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NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

The contractor is an SME

No

#### **V.2.4) Information on value of contract/lot (excluding VAT)**

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot: £250,000

Total value of the contract/lot: £160,000

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.3) Additional information**

The lead contracting authority Connexus Homes Limited will enter into a contract with the successful bidder. We reserve the right for other members of the Connexus Group as detailed in I.1 or future members to make use of this contract.

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### **VI.4) Procedures for review**

#### **VI.4.1) Review body**

Public Procurement Review Service

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#### **VI.4.2) Body responsible for mediation procedures**

Royal Courts of Justice

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#### **VI.4.3) Review procedure**

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

The contracting Authority will incorporate a minimum ten calendar day standstill period at the point of information on the award of the Contract(s) to be awarded at conclusion of the procurement exercise begun by publication of the contract notice is communicated to tenderers. The Public Contracts Regulations 2015 provides for aggrieved parties who have been harmed or at risk of harm by breach of those regulations to take action in the High Court (England, Wales and Northern Ireland). Generally, any such action must be brought within thirty days from the date the aggrieved party knew or ought to have known about the alleged breach. Where the contract(s) have not been entered into the court may order the setting aside of the award decision or order the contracting authority to amend any document and may award damages. If the contract(s) have been entered into the court may only award damages or where the award procedures have not been followed correctly may in certain circumstances declare the contract to be 'ineffective'.

#### **VI.4.4) Service from which information about the review procedure may be obtained**

The Cabinet Office

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