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## **Bike Hire and Retail Concession - Kielder Forest**

Forestry England (for and on behalf of the Forestry Commission)

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Prior information only

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocids-h6vhtk-042e89

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### **Section I: Contracting authority**

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

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United Kingdom

**Region code**

UK - United Kingdom

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://www.forestryengland.uk>

**I.3) Communication**

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

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

Ministry or any other national or federal authority

**I.5) Main activity**

Other activity

Forestry

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## **Section II: Object**

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

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

Bike Hire and Retail Concession - Kielder Forest

Reference number

FCCN1934

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

- 92000000 - Recreational, cultural and sporting services

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

Services

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

Forestry England are seeking an operator for a Bike Hire and Retail concession at Kielder Forest

#### **II.1.5) Estimated total value**

Value excluding VAT: £2,500,000

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

This contract is divided into lots: No

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

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

- 92000000 - Recreational, cultural and sporting services

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

NUTS codes

- UKD - North West (England)

Main site or place of performance

## NORTH WEST (ENGLAND)

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

Forestry England intend to re-tender a concession opportunity to operate our established bike hire and retail centre in Kielder Village in Q2/Q3 2024, due to expiry of the current lease at the end of December 2024. Our expectation is that we will issue a lease for ten years. The Kielder Bike Hire centre is well positioned to attract and provide services to customers enjoying: •the iconic Lakeside Way multiuser trail around Kielder Water •the extensive network of mountain bike trails •an emerging gravel route network •the Reivers cycle route (cross border) •and road and touring cycling across Northumberland and the Scottish Borders. The Kielder area benefits from a popular sports events programme and there is scope to develop a range of guided or coached experiences from this location. Prospective suppliers are invited to express an interest in this opportunity and have a initial conversation with our Northumberland Recreation Manager ahead of the tender documents being published this Spring/early summer.

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

Companies interested in expressing an interest in this tender opportunity and/or have an initial discussion about the opportunity should notify Sam Harris, Commercial Advisor at [Sam.Harris@forestryengland.uk](mailto:Sam.Harris@forestryengland.uk) .

### **II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice**

3 June 2024

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## **Section IV. Procedure**

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

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

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

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