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## **Solihull Town Centre Low Carbon Energy Network**

METROPOLITAN BOROUGH OF SOLIHULL

F05: Contract notice – utilities

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### **Section I: Contracting entity**

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

METROPOLITAN BOROUGH OF SOLIHULL

SOLIHULL

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United Kingdom

#### **NUTS code**

UKG32 - Solihull

#### **Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://www.solihull.gov.uk/>

### **I.3) Communication**

The procurement documents are available for unrestricted and full direct access, free of charge, at

<https://www.csw-jets.co.uk>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

<https://www.csw-jets.co.uk>

### **I.6) Main activity**

Other activity

District Heating

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## **Section II: Object**

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

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

Solihull Town Centre Low Carbon Energy Network

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

- 98390000 - Other services

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

Services

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

The Council wishes to procure a contractor to design, build, operate (including metering and billing) and maintain a low carbon energy network in Solihull town centre for the supply of heat and electricity to both the Council and a number of public and private sector customers. The scheme will be delivered in a number of phases. Phase 1 is for the town centre low carbon energy network, which has a delivered heat supply of 14 gigawatt hours and 6.1 gigawatt hours of electricity per annum . It is anticipated that Phase 2 and future new masterplan developments will have a total estimated heat supply of 50 gigawatt hours and 6.6 gigawatt hours of electricity per annum . Funding for Phase 1 of the project will be provided through a mixture of public sector funding sources. Other sources of funding including funding or investment by the appointed contractor may be utilised for further phases of the project at the discretion of the Council.

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

Value excluding VAT: £80,000,000

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

This contract is divided into lots: No

## **II.2) Description**

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

- 09323000 - District heating
- 38410000 - Metering instruments
- 45000000 - Construction work
- 48444100 - Billing system
- 65300000 - Electricity distribution and related services
- 65400000 - Other sources of energy supplies and distribution
- 65500000 - Meter reading service
- 71322200 - Pipeline-design services
- 71323200 - Plant engineering design services

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

NUTS codes

- UKG32 - Solihull

Main site or place of performance

Solihull Town Centre

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

The Council wishes to procure a contractor to design, build, operate (including metering and billing) and maintain a low carbon energy network in Solihull town centre for the supply of heat and electricity to both the Council and a number of public and private sector customers.

Following the selection of the preferred bidder and approval of the Full Business Case the Council will establish a wholly owned special purpose vehicle which enter into and manage the awarded contract and own the network. The scheme will be delivered in a number of phases. Phase 1 is for the town centre low carbon energy network which has a delivered heat supply of 14 gigawatt hours and electricity supply of 6.1 gigawatt hours per annum. It is anticipated that Phase 2 and future new masterplan developments will have a total estimated heat supply of 50 gigawatt hours and 6.6 gigawatt hours of electricity per annum. The contractor shall be responsible for the purchase of any utilities required to operate the low carbon energy network. Funding for Phase 1 of the project will be provided through a mixture of public sector funding sources. Other sources of funding including funding or investment by the appointed contractor may be utilised for further phases of the project at the discretion of the Council.

This procurement is undertaken by the Council on behalf of itself, its subsidiaries and affiliates and also the potential customers of the low carbon energy network for the supply of heat and electricity. The customers for Phase 1 of the network include the Council, Alderbrook School (Academy), Tudor Grange Academy, Solihull College and University Centre, Ministry of Justice/Home Office and a number of private sector connections (Phase 1 Customers). The Phase 1 Customers have identified specific energy needs and, in particular, given their technical requirements for low carbon energy and geographical location propose to be part of the project to allow these needs to be met. Customers for future phases of the project are likely to include a mixture of public and private sector entities in the Solihull town centre area and will be subject to further development as the project progresses. Customers may include West Midlands Police, Solihull Hospital, St Alphege Junior School, St Peter's Catholic School, St Augustine's Catholic Primary School and Council owned homes/flats. The customers will enter into connection and supply agreements with the special purpose vehicle as part of this project.

The appointed contractor will be required to maintain and operate the low carbon energy network for a period of 15 years from completion of the energy centre and network works. The works period will immediately precede the commencement the services period. The contract shall include an option for the contract to to be extended by a period of a further 10 years.

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

Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement

documents

### **II.2.7) Duration of the contract, framework agreement or dynamic purchasing system**

Duration in days

300

This contract is subject to renewal

No

### **II.2.9) Information about the limits on the number of candidates to be invited**

Envisaged number of candidates: 3

### **II.2.10) Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: No

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

Options: No

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## **Section III. Legal, economic, financial and technical information**

### **III.1) Conditions for participation**

#### **III.1.2) Economic and financial standing**

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

#### **III.1.3) Technical and professional ability**

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

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## **Section IV. Procedure**

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

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

Competitive dialogue

#### **IV.1.4) Information about reduction of the number of solutions or tenders during negotiation or dialogue**

Recourse to staged procedure to gradually reduce the number of solutions to be discussed or tenders to be negotiated

#### **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.2.2) Time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate**

Date

9 March 2021

#### **IV.2.4) Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted**

English

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.1) Information about recurrence**

This is a recurrent procurement: No

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

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

Royal Courts of Justice

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