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Contract

## **Inverness Campus Landscape Maintenance services**

Inverness Campus Owners Association  
Highlands and Islands Enterprise

F03: Contract award notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-02ee04

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

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

Inverness Campus Owners Association

C/O Highlands and Islands Enterprise, An Lòchran

Inverness Campus, Inverness

IV2 5NA

#### **Email**

[ICOA@hient.co.uk](mailto:ICOA@hient.co.uk)

#### **Telephone**

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#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **NUTS code**

UKM6 - Highlands and Islands

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<http://www.invernesscampus.co.uk/>

Buyer's address

[http://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search\\_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA23323](http://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA23323)

**I.1) Name and addresses**

Highlands and Islands Enterprise

An Lòchran, 10 Inverness Campus

Inverness

IV2 5NA

**Email**

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**Country**

United Kingdom

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UKM6 - Highlands and Islands

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Buyer's address

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

The contract involves joint procurement

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

Body governed by public law

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

Other activity

Inverness Campus Owners Association

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## **Section II: Object**

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

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

Inverness Campus Landscape Maintenance services

Reference number

FTS009

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

- 71421000 - Landscape gardening services

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

Services

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

A Framework has been awarded for the following landscape maintenance services at Inverness Campus. The site contains very high quality soft and hard landscaping features, including grassed areas, meadows, ponds, extensive tree planting, foot and cycle paths.

Activities will cover Soft Landscaping; Hard Landscaping; Water Areas and Winter Maintenance Activities

The Framework consists of two separate specifications to cover (1) The common areas of Inverness Campus, controlled by ICOA and (2) the HIE owned buildings within Inverness Campus, namely An Lochran, Aurora House and Solasta House. Despite the two specifications and pricing schedules, the contract will be delivered as one by the contractor.

Since this is a Framework the actual spend will vary according to the services required, weather, growing conditions and the number and size of any additional plots brought into scope. The value in II.1.7 and V.2.4 is the estimated spend over 4 years, if the optional 1 year extension is taken up. The 3 year figure used for tender evaluation was GBP 649 255.

#### **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: £924,000

## **II.2) Description**

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

- 90620000 - Snow-clearing services

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

NUTS codes

- UKM62 - Inverness & Nairn and Moray, Badenoch & Strathspey

Main site or place of performance

Inverness Campus

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

The Framework will be awarded by Inverness Campus Owners Association (ICOA) and will be available for use by themselves and Highlands and Islands Enterprise. It will also be available for call-off by any current or future HIE subsidiary organisation, associated company, joint venture or similar, subject to a case-by-case prior approval by ICOA.

It is expected the services will be required from April 2022 for a period of 3 years, unless terminated in accordance with the provisions of the Framework, with ICOA having the option to extend for a period or periods together not exceeding 1 calendar year following the Initial Term.

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

Quality criterion - Name: Management & Delivery Methodology / Weighting: 20%

Quality criterion - Name: Management & Delivery Team / Weighting: 15%

Quality criterion - Name: Environment & Sustainability / Weighting: 10%

Quality criterion - Name: Risk Analysis / Weighting: 5%

Quality criterion - Name: Community Benefits / Weighting: 5%

Quality criterion - Name: Fair Work First / Weighting: 5%

Price - Weighting: 40%

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

Options: Yes

Description of options

ICOA may require the supplier to provide additional services. Any such modification shall be in terms of Regulation 72 of the Public Contracts (Scotland) Regulations 2015. The Campus is an evolving site as it responds to development needs and some parts of the existing specification may vary in scope over the length of the contract e.g. additional hard/soft landscaping may be required, future plots may be added or there may be a reduction in the number of undeveloped plots/landscaping required.

For example, HIE has commenced construction of the Life Sciences Innovation Centre (LSIC) at Plot 20a which is due for completion in late 2022. The Supplier may be requested to provide services for this building. HIE also intends to service development plots at the remaining land at Plot 14 which could also form part of future Services.

### **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**

Economic operators may be excluded from this competition if they are in any of the situations referred to in Regulation 58 of the Public Contracts (Scotland) Regulations 2015.

## **Section IV. Procedure**

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

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

Open procedure

#### **IV.1.3) Information about a framework agreement or a dynamic purchasing system**

The procurement involves the establishment of a framework agreement

#### **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**

Notice number: [2021/S 000-026263](#)

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

### **Contract No**

FTS009

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

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

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

25 January 2022

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

Number of tenders received: 3

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 3

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

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 3

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 3

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

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

Higher Ground Community Services Ltd

The Pines, Conon Bridge

Dingwall

IV7 8AQ

Telephone

+44 7789752848

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKM62 - Inverness & Nairn and Moray, Badenoch & Strathspey

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £924,000

#### **V.2.5) Information about subcontracting**

The contract is likely to be subcontracted

Value or proportion likely to be subcontracted to third parties

Proportion: 10 %

Short description of the part of the contract to be subcontracted

Gritting and snow clearing

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

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

This is a CONTRACT AWARD NOTICE and the procurement process is now finished.

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

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

Inverness Sheriff Court and Justice of the Peace Court

The Inverness Justice Centre, Longman Road

Inverness

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[inverness@scotcourts.gov.uk](mailto:inverness@scotcourts.gov.uk)

Telephone

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

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

An economic operator that suffers, or is at risk of suffering, loss or damage attributable to a breach of duty under

the Public Contracts (Scotland) Regulations 2015 or the Procurement Reform (Scotland) Act 2014 may bring

proceedings in the Sheriff Court or the Court of Session.