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Tender

Cemetery Consultants for a New Cemetery in Dunstable

Dunstable Town Council

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-0603dc

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Scope

Reference

195

Description

The council is seeking to appoint a consultant with strong and demonstrable experience of developing new cemetery land for future burial needs.

Dunstable Town Council (DTC) is looking to appoint a consultant who can assist with delivering the following objectives associated with a new Dunstable cemetery:

- To provide adequate burial space for Dunstable the next 50+ years.
- To incorporate traditional burial methods and consider options for green and alternative burials.
- To incorporate traditional, new and sustainable memorialisation options.
- To ensure accessibility and inclusivity for all faiths and communities.

- To incorporate green infrastructure and biodiversity.
- To create a peaceful, respectful, and well-maintained environment.
- To comply with all burial legislation and other legal, environmental, and planning regulations.
- To enable efficient management of the site by cemetery and grounds staff.
- To use part of the land as 'meanwhile' allotment land.

The Council is issuing this tender document to attract potential tenderers to bid for the consultancy work to support the development process from inception through to completion.

Total value (estimated)

- £200,000 excluding VAT
- £240,000 including VAT

Below the relevant threshold

Contract dates (estimated)

- 30 March 2026 to 30 September 2027
- Possible extension to 30 March 2029
- 3 years, 1 day

Description of possible extension:

To ensure completion of the project to provide a working cemetery.

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 45215400 - Cemetery works
- 98371110 - Cemetery services

Contract locations

- UKC - North East (England)
- UKD - North West (England)
- UKE - Yorkshire and the Humber
- UKF - East Midlands (England)
- UKG - West Midlands (England)
- UKH - East of England
- UKI - London
- UKJ - South East (England)
- UKK - South West (England)

Participation

This procurement is reserved for

UK suppliers

Particular suitability

Small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)

Submission

Enquiry deadline

23 January 2026, 12:00pm

Tender submission deadline

30 January 2026, 12:00pm

Submission address and any special instructions

accounts@dunstable.gov.uk

Tenders may be submitted electronically

No

Award criteria

Each tender response will be evaluated against an agreed scoring method. The scoring will be based on the weighted system described below.

Evaluation Criteria Weight

1. Qualitative - Proposal & Quality Response 45%
2. Financial - Financial Response 50%
3. Social value - EDI Form (Equality, Diversity, Inclusion) 5%

Tenderers may then be invited to present to a panel of Elected Members and Officers.

Procedure

Procedure type

Below threshold - open competition

Special regime

Concession

Documents

Associated tender documents

<https://www.dunstable.gov.uk/council-finances/>

Contracting authority

Dunstable Town Council

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PLYC-5416-HMXW

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