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Planning

The Supply of Public Order Shields

Metropolitan Police Service

F01: Prior information notice

Prior information only

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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Justification for not providing organisation identifier

Not on any register

Internet address(es)

Main address

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I.3) Communication

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Regional or local authority

I.5) Main activity

Public order and safety

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

The Supply of Public Order Shields

II.1.2) Main CPV code

• 35220000 - Anti-riot equipment

II.1.3) Type of contract

Supplies

II.1.4) Short description

Overview

The Mayor's Office for Policing and Crime (MOPAC), the Contracting Authority, is issuing this Prior Information Notice (PIN) to inform the market of an upcoming procedure for the provision of Public Order Shields with the aim of engaging with capable service providers.

ESTIMATED VOLUMES TBC - 750 long 300 short per annum. Further details regarding shield specifications are available on request.

Scope of Services

Public order shields, to be issued to Metropolitan Police Service (MPS) officers, for use in public order training and operations. The general design criteria are for shields that shall provide appropriate coverage and protection from missiles, chemical solvents (including petrol), heat and flame.

Recycling / Refurbishment

Potential suppliers will need to articulate how they propose recycling/refurbishment of "used" shields could work, including all aspects such as parts replacement, logistics, storage and disposal.

Desirable Criteria

Registration to BS EN ISO 9001.

Tender Samples

6 operational long shield samples of the proposed product(s) shall be submitted free of charge.

6 operational short shield samples (able to connect to a map holder) of the proposed product(s) shall be submitted free of charge.

1 removable map holder shall be submitted free of charge.

These samples will be used for MPS evaluation purposes, and shall be retained by the MPS

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £470,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

The contracting authority reserves the right to award contracts combining the following lots or groups of lots:

Lot 1 - Short Shields and Lot 2 - Long Shields

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Short Shields

Lot No

1

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

• 35220000 - Anti-riot equipment

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

• UKI - London

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Short Shields for Public Order use

The shape of the short shield blade is to be circular, with a post forming outside diameter of 0.65m + 5%.

Post forming, the radius of the shield blade shall be appropriate to deflect and provide impact protection against missiles.

The shield blade may be transparent or opaque, and shall be tough to resist attack from petrol and flame, chemicals and impacts. The appearance of the short shield should be matt.

All sharp edges shall be removed.

Handles shall be compatible with the current limb protectors and public order overalls.

Handles shall be suitable for officers with different diameters of forearm.

The short shield shall be carried on either arm of the officer with a continuous over-arm handle.

Furthermore a handle assembly shall be provided for the officer's hand.

Handles need to be stiff enough to resist impacts to the strike face of the shield from missiles. Where appropriate, impact attenuation materials shall be used to reduce force transferred to the officer.

A removable map holder (able to carry an A4 map) shall be provided as an option. This should be able to be transferred to any short shield.

All sharp edges shall be removed.

The performance of the shields shall remain effective:

After contamination with petrol and typically available domestic solvents (eg paint thinners / drain

cleaner / battery acid); in ambient temperatures between -10C and +40C;

against abrasion.

II.2.14) Additional information

Further information and to register interest in this PIN, should be sent to Graham Colledge (graham.colledge@met.police.uk)

Please note, this opportunity is likely to be under the Procurement Act 2023.

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Long Shields

Lot No

2

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

• 35220000 - Anti-riot equipment

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

• UKI - London

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Long Shields

The dimensions of the long shield blade, post forming, shall be $1.65m \times 0.6m + 5\%$.

During forming, nominally the top 1/6th of the shield should be formed forward by 20°.

Each side of the shield should be formed diagonally backwards. This will emanate from 0.85m + 5% vertically from the base of the shield, and 0.09m + 5% horizontally from the side of shield, bending the shield diagonally backwards.

Each corner shall have a radius of 25mm + 5%, with no sharp edges.

The shield blade shall be transparent. The back panel shall be transparent.

Both the shield blade and the back panel shall be tough and resist attack from impacts, petrol and flame, and chemicals.

Shields shall be capable of being held together when upright and be joined together to

form a continuous protected line, to interlock on the left and right hand side, in accordance with MPS tactics.

The base of the shield blade should be able to withstand abrasion against a variety of common ground surfaces e.g. tarmac, concrete, gravel etc. surface, in accordance with MPS tactics

Handles shall be compatible with the current limb protectors and public order overalls.

Handles shall be suitable for officers with different diameters of forearm.

The long shield shall be carried on the left arm of the officer with an over-arm handle. Furthermore a twin handle assembly shall be provided.

Handles shall be stiff enough to resist impacts to the strike face of the shield from missiles.

All sharp edges shall be removed.

The performance of the shields shall remain effective:

After contamination with petrol and typically available domestic solvents (eg paint thinners / drain

cleaner / battery acid); in ambient temperatures between -10C and +40C;

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II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

24 February 2025

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

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

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cleaner / battery acid); in ambient temperatures between -10C and +40C;

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