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Contract

Brook Theatre - Refurbishment and alteration works

Medway Council

F03: Contract award notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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Region code

UKJ41 - Medway

Internet address(es)

Main address

<http://www.medway.gov.uk/>

Buyer's address

<http://www.medway.gov.uk/>

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Regional or local authority

I.5) Main activity

General public services

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Brook Theatre - Refurbishment and alteration works

Reference number

DN731419

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 45000000 - Construction work

II.1.3) Type of contract

Works

II.1.4) Short description

The Brook Theatre is a well-used community resource as well as an important local venue for professional touring productions, but as a result the building is looking tired and quite dated in its internal presentation, so a key element of this project is to improve the general presentation of the interior.

There are many limitations presented by the building which restrict the way that the building can be used but also impact on the overall visitor experience. This is primarily in connection with the front of house spaces including limited gathering spaces in the café and bar, toilets, and accessibility.

Key aims for the project include:

- Increase the available front of house space
- Front of house spaces to be more open and fluid
- Create a café with street frontage which would be a destination in itself as well as a co-working space
- Provide opportunities / space to be able to support emerging / developmental companies
- Deal with some of the acoustic limitations of the building which are mainly generated by

the audience, especially front of house

- Introduce a digital overlay – infrastructure to use digital backdrops, projection etc in productions
- Consider the impact of the chandeliers in the Main Theatre and if they could be removed since they restrict performances including projection and lighting
- Consider how to introduce more flexible stage lighting infrastructure (such as a grid) within the context of the historic interior
- Provide storage for the auditorium (which could be in the basement if a lift can be extended there)
- Consider improving the access to the stage for performers who are wheelchair users
- Providing air conditioning to the main theatre auditorium
- Reconfiguring the fire exit from the 2nd floor dressing rooms
- Reviewing the fire compartmentation between back stage and auditorium
- Reviewing the use of the storage areas in the basement and the impact on the fire strategy
- Complete refurbishment of all dance and drama studios on the ground and basement floors

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: £10,801,760

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKJ41 - Medway

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II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 70

Quality criterion - Name: Cost / Weighting: 25

Quality criterion - Name: Social Value Measures / Weighting: 5

Cost criterion - Name: Cost / Weighting: 25

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: No

II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Open procedure

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: No

IV.2) Administrative information

IV.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure

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Section V. Award of contract

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

3 February 2025

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: 0

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

Thomas Sinden Ltd

Romford

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKJ41 - Medway

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £10,801,760

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Medway Council

Chatham

Country

United Kingdom