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Contract

## **UK Shared Prosperity Fund Feasibility Studies - Framework Agreement**

Aberdeenshire Council

F03: Contract award notice

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

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

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#### **Telephone**

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#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **NUTS code**

UKM50 - Aberdeen City and Aberdeenshire

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

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

Buyer's address

[https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search\\_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA00232](https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA00232)

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

Regional or local authority

**I.5) Main activity**

General public services

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## **Section II: Object**

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

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

UK Shared Prosperity Fund Feasibility Studies - Framework Agreement

Reference number

000-JLRK8663

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

- 71241000 - Feasibility study, advisory service, analysis

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

Services

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

Aberdeenshire Council has secured funding from the UK Shared Prosperity Fund (UKSPF) to provide support to the development of community owned assets through the Communities and Place Improving Places Programme.

This project has been identified as a need within the UKSPF Aberdeenshire Investment Plan, in response to a recognition that in order to secure external funding from Public, Charitable and Private sectors including the UKSPF, community-led capital and revenue projects require a detailed feasibility study which may cover several specialist elements.

Applications to the challenge fund element of the UK Shared Prosperity Fund and previous funding programmes have provided further evidence that this project is needed, to support the leaders of these projects to explore and evidence the feasibility of their proposed projects and enterprises.

Many projects are not at the point where all aspects of feasibility have been resolved, and so lack the underpinning detail that is required by an external funder, a crucial requirement for each project's realisation and sustainability.

This Framework is designed to support and help community-led capital and revenue projects to establish credible business plans, successfully apply for project funding and develop financially sustainable operations in the longer term, both preventing the loss of crucial facilities and developing new resources for rural communities in Aberdeenshire.

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

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

### **II.1.7) Total value of the procurement (excluding VAT)**

Value excluding VAT: £425,000

## **II.2) Description**

### **II.2.1) Title**

FOOD AND CATERING – e.g. Community Cafes and Kitchens

Lot No

1

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

- 71241000 - Feasibility study, advisory service, analysis
- 79314000 - Feasibility study
- 79411100 - Business development consultancy services

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

NUTS codes

- UKM50 - Aberdeen City and Aberdeenshire

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

This Lot includes (but is not limited to) advice surrounding:

Commercial feasibility and technical reviews

Equipment and facilities

Food and drink menus

Food hygiene

Legislation compliance

Options appraisals

Financial forecasting

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

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 60

Price - Weighting: 40

### **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

## **II.2) Description**

### **II.2.1) Title**

TRANSPORT – Active Transport Routes and Projects

Lot No

2

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

- 79314000 - Feasibility study
- 71241000 - Feasibility study, advisory service, analysis
- 71311200 - Transport systems consultancy services

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

NUTS codes

- UKM50 - Aberdeen City and Aberdeenshire

Main site or place of performance

Aberdeenshire

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

LOT 2 - TRANSPORT – Active Transport Routes and Projects

This Lot includes (but is not limited to) advice surrounding:

Cycle route planning or improvements

Pedestrian route planning or improvements

Travel initiatives

Maintenance schedules

Land access

Land ownership

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

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 60

Price - Weighting: 40

#### **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

### **II.2) Description**

#### **II.2.1) Title**

LEISURE, CULTURE & TOURISM - Museums, Visitor Centres, Performance Venues

Lot No

3

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

- 79314000 - Feasibility study
- 71241000 - Feasibility study, advisory service, analysis

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

NUTS codes

- UKM50 - Aberdeen City and Aberdeenshire

Main site or place of performance

Aberdeenshire

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

his Lot includes (but is not limited to) advice surrounding:

Commercial and efficiency reviews

Increasing public use of services

Sport and Library service studies

Technical reviews

Trusts and joint ventures

Financial forecasting

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

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 60

Price - Weighting: 40

### **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

## **II.2) Description**

### **II.2.1) Title**

PROPERTY & ENVIRONMENT - Community Owned Buildings, Infrastructure & Land

Lot No

4

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

- 79314000 - Feasibility study
- 71241000 - Feasibility study, advisory service, analysis

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

NUTS codes

- UKM50 - Aberdeen City and Aberdeenshire

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

This Lot includes advice surrounding:

Environmental and Sustainability

Assessments and appraisals

Alternative energy

Archaeology studies

Biodiversity

Carbon foot-printing and reduction

Carbon reduction and climate change adaptation

Climate change adaptation and mitigation

Environmental audits

Environmental initiatives



Energy efficiency and targets

Green technologies

Heat networks

Landscape management

Sustainability

Water management

Waste auditing

Delivery models

Facilities Management

Business case development

Risk assessments and controls

Safe working procedures

Benchmarking

Revenue optimisation and funding

Risk and internal control

Service improvement and performance

Sustainable community strategies

Alternative waste treatment

Carbon assessments

Commercial waste

Options appraisals

Permits and accreditations

Communication

Customer insight information

Public dialogue, engagement and consultation

Branding

Communication and marketing materials

Outline architectural plans/options appraisals (not full architectural drawings)

QS Services

Financial Forecasting

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

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 60

Price - Weighting: 40

#### **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

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## **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: [2023/S 000-031519](#)

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

### **Lot No**

4

### **Title**

PROPERTY & ENVIRONMENT - Community Owned Buildings, Infrastructure & Land

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

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

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

9 February 2024

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

Number of tenders received: 10

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 10

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

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 10

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 10

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: Yes

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

DWS Associates Limited

21 Argyll Square

Oban

PA344AT

Telephone

+44 7758130576

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKM6 - Highlands and Islands

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

SKS supply to HIE Communities

Innisfree, Achnamara

Lochgilphead

PA318PX

Telephone

+44 7824611869

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKM63 - Lochaber, Skye & Lochalsh, Arran & Cumbrae and Argyll & Bute

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Tomson Consulting Ltd

28 Terminus Road

Sheffield

s7 2LH

Email

[mike@districteating.com](mailto:mike@districteating.com)

Telephone

+44 7472012738

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKE32 - Sheffield

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £100,000

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

### **Lot No**

3

### **Title**

LEISURE, CULTURE & TOURISM - Museums, Visitor Centres, Performance Venues

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

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

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

9 February 2024

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

Number of tenders received: 8

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 8

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

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 8

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 8

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: Yes

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

Ann Nisbet

Studio 4/2, 996 Pollokshaws Road

Glasgow

G41 2HA

Telephone

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Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKM82 - Glasgow City

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Hall Aitken

45 Hope Street

Glasgow

G2 6AE

Telephone

+44 7899876522

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKM - Scotland

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

DWS Associates Limited

21 Argyll Square



Oban

PA344AT

Telephone

+44 7758130576

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKM6 - Highlands and Islands

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £100,000

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

### **Lot No**

2

### **Title**

TRANSPORT – Active Transport Routes and Projects

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

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

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

9 February 2024

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

Number of tenders received: 5

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 5

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

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 5

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 5

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: Yes

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

Connected Transport Planning

Bellsdyke Road, Falkirk

Falkirk

hfk54F

Telephone

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Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Land Use Consultants Limited

37 Otago Street

Glasgow

G12 8JJ

Telephone

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Fax

+44 1413347789

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKM - Scotland

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Ethos Consultants

7 , Stanley Street

Aberdeen

AB10 6US

Telephone

+44 7759539592

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £100,000

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

#### **Lot No**

1

#### **Title**

FOOD AND CATERING – e.g. Community Cafes and Kitchens

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

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

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

9 February 2024

**V.2.2) Information about tenders**

Number of tenders received: 2

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 2

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

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 2

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 2

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: Yes

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

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Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKM82 - Glasgow City

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

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AB41 7NJ

Telephone

+44 7531430280

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKM50 - Aberdeen City and Aberdeenshire

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £100,000

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

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

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

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

Aberdeen Sheriff Court

Aberdeen

Country

United Kingdom