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Contract

Culture, Sport & Tourism Catering Contract

Durham County Council

F03: Contract award notice

Notice identifier: 2025/S 000-005601

Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-04e34d

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

Durham County Council

County Hall

DURHAM

DH15UQ

Email

zoe.embleton@durham.gov.uk

Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UKC14 - Durham CC

Justification for not providing organisation identifier

Not on any register

Internet address(es)

Main address

www.durham.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

Culture, Sport & Tourism Catering Contract

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 55520000 - Catering services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Interim 2-year catering contract with Baxter Storey to ensure continuity and to maintain services within Culture, Sport & Tourism operated venues, which gives the Council more time to develop its wider corporate approach and deliver its Strategic Catering Review.

Please note this contract will be re-procured competitively (by Open Competitive Flexible Tender) in 2026.

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

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

Lowest offer: £2,000,000 / Highest offer: £2,500,000 taken into consideration

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 55520000 - Catering services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKC14 - Durham CC

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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II.2.5) Award criteria

Price

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: No

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Award of a contract without prior publication of a call for competition in the cases listed below

- The procurement falls outside the scope of application of the regulations

Explanation:

Following a delay in the review of the corporate catering position and the need in Culture and Sport to have a suitable catering offer to the Public, it has been agreed at REGMT to proceed with a two year contract with Baxter Storey to allow Culture and Sport colleagues to appropriately address the catering position within the Service and to prepare and execute an appropriate full procurement process for a long term arrangement. This interim-solution affords the Council time to establish the appropriate strategy whilst ensuring an offer to the Customer which is compliant with all necessary food legislation protocols but also enhances the facilities on offer to the Public. The allowing of this process is also on the basis of the commitment of the service to deliver a market procurement to implement a new contractual arrangement in 2027, which will be procured by Open Competitive Flexible process in 2026.

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: No

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

18 February 2025

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 1

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Baxter Storey Limited

300 Thames Valley Park Drive

Reading

RG6 1PT

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

Companies House

01962583

The contractor is an SME

No

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

Lowest offer: £2,000,000 / Highest offer: £2,500,000 taken into consideration

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

The County Council of Durham

Durham

Country

United Kingdom