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## **NNC - Treatment & Disposal of Residual Waste and Operation and Management of Household Waste Recycling Centres**

North Northamptonshire Council

F02: Contract notice

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

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

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**Country**

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**Region code**

UKF25 - North Northamptonshire

**Justification for not providing organisation identifier**

Not on any register

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://www.northnorthants.gov.uk>

Buyer's address

<https://in-tendhost.co.uk/nnc/aspx/Home>

**I.3) Communication**

The procurement documents are available for unrestricted and full direct access, free of charge, at

<https://in-tendhost.co.uk/nnc/aspx/Home>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

<https://in-tendhost.co.uk/nnc/aspx/Home>

Electronic communication requires the use of tools and devices that are not generally available. Unrestricted and full direct access to these tools and devices is possible, free of charge, at

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**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**

NNC - Treatment & Disposal of Residual Waste and Operation and Management of Household Waste Recycling Centres

Reference number

NNC00000342

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

- 90500000 - Refuse and waste related services

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

Services

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

North Northamptonshire Council (the "Authority") is seeking one or more suitably qualified and experienced suppliers to deliver the following services: (1) Treatment & Disposal of Household Waste; and (2) Operation and Management of Household Waste Recycling Centres. The scope of these services is further detailed in the procurement documents made available on publication of this notice and in the Lot specific descriptions further below.

Bidders should note that the scope of the services may change during the life of the eventual contracts(s). Where the nature of any change is known at this time then the Authority has detailed this in the procurement documents.

This procurement is being undertaken using a competitive dialogue process, in accordance with the relevant requirements of the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 and the Authority's own Contract Procedure Rules.

The procurement is divided into three (3) Lots as follows:

Lot 1: Treatment & Disposal of Residual Waste ("Residual Service");

Lot 2: Operation and Management of Household Waste Recycling Centres ("HWRC Service"); and

Lot 3 - Treatment & Disposal of Residual Waste and Operation and Management of Household Waste Recycling Centres.

The Authority intends to award a separate contract for each of the Residual Service and the HWRC Service even if the same supplier is selected for Both Services.

Lot 3 has been included as an optional Lot not to provide a combined service under a single contract but to enable a bidder bidding for both Lots to identify the financial saving or discount that would apply should they be appointed as the contractor for both services.

Further detail on the approach to managing the Lots during the procurement process is set out in the procurement documents. For the avoidance of doubt, the Authority has not designed this procurement with the intention that the same bidder must be successful for both services.

Bidders may submit for either or both of Lot 1 and Lot 2. A bidder may only submit for Lot 3 where they have submitted for both Lot 1 and Lot 2 or they have submitted for only one of Lot 1 or Lot 2 but are submitting a joint bid for Lot 3 with another bidder who has bid for the other of Lot 1/Lot 2.

Final award will be made in accordance with the award criteria and evaluation approach set out in the procurement documents. If Lot 3 is awarded then Lots 1 and 2 will not be awarded (and vice versa).

The Authority will apply the selection criteria outlined in the procurement documents to limit the number of bidders taken through to the dialogue stage as further detailed below and in the procurement documents.

The Authority does not intend to reduce the number of bidders down during the dialogue stage by applying the award criteria.

All estimated values referred to in this notice exclude VAT and indexation.

#### **II.1.5) Estimated total value**

Value excluding VAT: £255,000,000

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

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

Tenders may be submitted for all lots

## **II.2) Description**

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

Treatment and Disposal of Residual Waste

Lot No

1

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

- 90510000 - Refuse disposal and treatment

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

NUTS codes

- UKF25 - North Northamptonshire

Main site or place of performance

North Northamptonshire

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

The Authority is seeking a suitably qualified and experienced supplier to provide services for the Treatment & Disposal of Residual Waste, in line with the requirements of the contract and detailed specification. In scope services comprise the acceptance and disposal of all contract waste (as defined in the contract) including any recycling, composting, processing, treatment, recovery and disposal of any residues therefrom.

The Authority intends that this will be an exclusive arrangement for all in scope contract waste subject to certain rights of the Authority and exclusions under the contract (including relating to performance). No guarantee is given on tonnage or composition.

The contract will have a term of fifteen (15) years from 1 April 2025 with Authority only break options at the end of year 7 and year 10.

The value of this Lot has been calculated using an estimate average annual spend across the full term of £14,424,200 but this should not be taken as the budget figure for contract

year 1.

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

Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

#### **II.2.6) Estimated value**

Value excluding VAT: £216,363,000

#### **II.2.7) Duration of the contract, framework agreement or dynamic purchasing system**

Duration in months

180

This contract is subject to renewal

No

#### **II.2.9) Information about the limits on the number of candidates to be invited**

Maximum number: 6

Objective criteria for choosing the limited number of candidates:

The Authority intends to invite six (6) potential suppliers to the dialogue stage. The potential suppliers invited will be those who have passed all Pass/Fail elements of the SQ and are the highest scoring potential suppliers in respect of the scored questions further detailed in the SQ. The SQ details the rules that will apply in the event that there are bidders on tied scores - these rules may result in more than six (6) potential suppliers being taken forward - and in the event that there are fewer than six (6) potential suppliers meeting the Authority's requirements.

#### **II.2.10) Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: No

#### **II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: Yes

Description of options

As noted above, the Authority will have break options

#### **II.2.14) Additional information**

This lot is being undertaken using a Competitive Dialogue process, in accordance with the relevant requirements of the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 (as amended) and the Council's own Contract Procedure Rules.

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

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

Operation and Management of Household Waste Recycling Centres

Lot No

2

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

- 90512000 - Refuse transport services
- 90514000 - Refuse recycling services
- 90530000 - Operation of a refuse site

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

NUTS codes

- UKF25 - North Northamptonshire

Main site or place of performance

North Northamptonshire

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

The Authority is seeking a suitably qualified and experienced supplier to provide services for the Operation and Management of Household Waste Recycling Centres ("HWRCs") in North Northamptonshire, in line with the requirements of the contract and detailed specification. In scope services comprise the management, storage, segregation, sale,

removal and transportation of all contract waste arising from the provision of the service (including interaction with the Authority's residual waste contract) maximising opportunities to move waste up the Waste Hierarchy.

There are currently four HWRCs in North Northamptonshire and further detail can be found in the procurement documents.

No guarantee is given on tonnage or composition.

The contract will have a term of fifteen (15) years from 1 April 2025 with Authority only break options at the end of year 7 and year 10.

The value of this Lot has been calculated using an estimate average annual spend across the full term of £2,575,800 but this should not be taken as the budget figure for contract year 1.

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

Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

#### **II.2.6) Estimated value**

Value excluding VAT: £38,637,000

#### **II.2.7) Duration of the contract, framework agreement or dynamic purchasing system**

Duration in months

180

This contract is subject to renewal

No

#### **II.2.9) Information about the limits on the number of candidates to be invited**

Maximum number: 4

Objective criteria for choosing the limited number of candidates:

The Authority intends to invite four (4) potential suppliers to the dialogue stage. The potential suppliers invited will be those who have passed all Pass/Fail elements of the SQ and are the highest scoring potential suppliers in respect of the scored questions further detailed in the SQ. The SQ details the rules that will apply in the event that there are bidders on tied scores - these rules may result in more than four (4) potential suppliers being taken forward - and in the event that there are fewer than four (4) potential suppliers meeting the Authority's requirements.

#### **II.2.10) Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: No

#### **II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: Yes

Description of options

As noted above, the Authority will have break options

#### **II.2.14) Additional information**

This lot is being undertaken using a Competitive Dialogue process, in accordance with the relevant requirements of the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 (as amended) and the Council's own Contract Procedure Rules.

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

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

Treatment & Disposal of Residual Waste AND Operation & Management of Household Waste Recycling Centres

Lot No

3

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

- 90510000 - Refuse disposal and treatment
- 90530000 - Operation of a refuse site

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

NUTS codes

- UKF25 - North Northamptonshire

Main site or place of performance

North Northamptonshire

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

The Authority intends to award a separate contract for each of the Residual Service and the HWRC Service even if the same supplier is selected for both services.

Lot 3 has been included as an optional Lot not to provide a combined service under a single contract but to enable a bidder bidding for both Lot 1 and 2 to identify the financial saving or discount that would apply should they be appointed as the contractor for both services.

The scope of the services procured under Lot 3 is the same as Lot 1 and Lot 2 as further detailed in the procurement documents.

For the avoidance of doubt, the Authority has not designed this procurement with the intention that the same bidder must be successful for both services.

A bidder may only submit for Lot 3 where they have submitted for both Lot 1 and Lot 2 or they have submitted for only one of Lot 1 or Lot 2 but are submitting a joint bid for Lot 3 with another bidder who has bid for the other of Lot 1/Lot 2.

Each contract will have a term of fifteen (15) years from 1 April 2025 with Authority only break options at the end of year 7 and year 10.

The value of this Lot has been calculated using an estimate average annual spend across the full term of £17 million for both contract (being the sum of the amounts for Lot 1 and Lot 2) but this should not be taken as the budget figure for contract year 1.

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

Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

#### **II.2.6) Estimated value**

Value excluding VAT: £255,000,000

#### **II.2.7) Duration of the contract, framework agreement or dynamic purchasing system**

Duration in months

180

This contract is subject to renewal

No

#### **II.2.9) Information about the limits on the number of candidates to be invited**

Maximum number: 4

Objective criteria for choosing the limited number of candidates:

The Authority intends to invite only potential bidders who have qualified for both Lot 1 and Lot 2 and who have also submitted a Lot 3 request to participate to the dialogue stage for Lot 3. Lot 3 potential bidders will pre-qualify for this Lot 3 on the basis that they have pre-qualified for each of Lot 1 and Lot 2. The SQ further details the rules that will apply here. These may result in more than four (4) potential bidders being taken forward where this is the outcome of Lot 1 and Lot 2 shortlisting and as a result of any consortium or joint venture proposals.

#### **II.2.10) Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: No

#### **II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: Yes

Description of options

As noted above, the Authority will have break options under each contract

#### **II.2.14) Additional information**

This lot is being undertaken using a Competitive Dialogue process, in accordance with the relevant requirements of the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 (as amended) and the Council's own Contract Procedure Rules.

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## **Section III. Legal, economic, financial and technical information**

### **III.1) Conditions for participation**

#### **III.1.1) Suitability to pursue the professional activity, including requirements relating to enrolment on professional or trade registers**

List and brief description of conditions

The successful Supplier(s) must retain appropriate permits or relevant exemptions for their facility and operations throughout the Contract term.

#### **III.1.2) Economic and financial standing**

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

#### **III.1.3) Technical and professional ability**

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

### **III.2) Conditions related to the contract**

#### **III.2.2) Contract performance conditions**

The contract must be delivered in accordance with the standards set out in the procurement document suite, particularly the Specification, all supporting documents (i.e., annexes, schedules, etc.) and the terms & conditions.

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## Section IV. Procedure

### IV.1) Description

#### IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Competitive dialogue

#### 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.2.2) Time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate

Date

26 July 2024

Local time

12:00pm

#### IV.2.3) Estimated date of dispatch of invitations to tender or to participate to selected candidates

30 August 2024

#### IV.2.4) Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted

English

#### IV.2.6) Minimum time frame during which the tenderer must maintain the tender

Duration in months: 6 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.1) Information about recurrence**

This is a recurrent procurement: Yes

Estimated timing for further notices to be published: Between eighteen (18) and twenty-four (24) months prior to the Contract End Date (subject to any extension options taken).

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

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

High Court of England and Wales

Royal Court of Justice, Strand

London

WC2A 2LL

Country

United Kingdom

#### **VI.4.3) Review procedure**

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

North Northamptonshire Council will incorporate a minimum 10 (ten) calendar days standstill period at the point of notification of the decision to award the Contract. The decision notice will incorporate the award criteria, the reasons for the decision, the reasons (if any) why a Supplier did not meet any specification, the identity of the successful Supplier(s) and a precise statement of when the standstill period is expected to end.

The Public Contracts Regulations 2015 set out the potential remedies available to a bidder in the event of a challenge. Proceedings must be brought in accordance with those Regulations including the time period for challenge - usually thirty (30) days from actual or constructive knowledge but which can be extended by the Court in certain circumstances.