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Contract

## **T23-070CAP Acorn Farm Project Contractors PQQ Application**

Derry City and Strabane District Council

F03: Contract award notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-03ee6a

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

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

Derry City and Strabane District Council

Council Offices, 98 Strand Road

Derry

BT48 7NN

#### **Email**

[tenders@derrystrabane.com](mailto:tenders@derrystrabane.com)

#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **Region code**

UK - United Kingdom

#### **Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps>

Buyer's address

<https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps>

#### **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**

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

- 45200000 - Works for complete or part construction and civil engineering work

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

Works

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

Acorn Farm is a walled brownfield site located on a vacant plot of land within St Columb's Park off St. Columb's Road opposite the former Ebrington Barracks site in Derry/Londonderry. Acorn Farm is approximately 0.874 hectares in area. The site is in a predominately residential and commercial area and access to the site can be gained from St Columb's Road (South). The site is bounded by St. Columb's Road to south and by St. Columb's Park on all other sides. The site was formerly used as accommodation for the RUC and a helicopter pad serving the barracks. Ebrington Barracks was closed in 2003. Site clearance and ground levelling work was completed in 2022 as part of site enabling works. The Council has completed works to remove vegetation, hardstandings, concrete bases, steps, retaining walls and redundant underground services across the site and the ground flattened to an even gradient. Although, the council cannot rule out the possibility that some buried infrastructure might have been missed during this pre-commencement site clearance contract. Trees remain along the southern boundary along with the boundary walls, manholes along with northern edge and piles of crushed hardcore and compost. The overall aim of the Acorn Farm project is to transform a former MOD derelict site into a growing space as a centre of Permaculture excellence in the Northwest City Region. The Acorn Project will facilitate the development of new food growing technologies and to deliver a capital project which is an exemplar as a climate smart net zero/nearly zero carbon project, incorporating the use of circular economy principles, sustainable energy and energy/resource efficient technologies. Derry City and Strabane District Council (DCSDC) has developed a Climate Change Adaptation Plan (2020) and a Climate Change Emergency Pledge (2020) outlining the Council's climate action commitments, including a shift to net zero greenhouse gas emissions and climate resilience across the city and district by 2045. The ambition for the Acorn Farm site including the buildings, external works and landscape is to achieve climate resilience and whole life net zero emissions or nearly net zero emissions. The project is for the provision

of a community enterprise to provide a unique urban growing space within the City. Please refer to CfT documents for further information. Addendum 1 is PQQ, Addendums 2-10 incl are draft ITT Documents

### **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: £4,744,136.07

## **II.2) Description**

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

- 45210000 - Building construction work
- 45212000 - Construction work for buildings relating to leisure, sports, culture, lodging and restaurants
- 45220000 - Engineering works and construction works

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

NUTS codes

- UKN0A - Derry City and Strabane

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

Acorn Farm is a walled brownfield site located on a vacant plot of land within St Columb's Park off St. Columb's Road opposite the former Ebrington Barracks site in Derry/Londonderry. Acorn Farm is approximately 0.874 hectares in area. The site is in a predominately residential and commercial area and access to the site can be gained from St Columb's Road (South). The site is bounded by St. Columb's Road to south and by St. Columb's Park on all other sides. The site was formerly used as accommodation for the RUC and a helicopter pad serving the barracks. Ebrington Barracks was closed in 2003. Site clearance and ground levelling work was completed in 2022 as part of site enabling works. The Council has completed works to remove vegetation, hardstandings, concrete bases, steps, retaining walls and redundant underground services across the site and the ground flattened to an even gradient. Although, the council cannot rule out the possibility that some buried infrastructure might have been missed during this pre-commencement site clearance contract. Trees remain along the southern boundary along with the boundary walls, manholes along with northern edge and piles of crushed hardcore and compost. The overall aim of the Acorn Farm project is to transform a former MOD derelict site into a growing space as a centre of Permaculture excellence in the

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

Quality criterion - Name: Programme / Weighting: 7.5

Quality criterion - Name: Methodology / Weighting: 10.5

Quality criterion - Name: QM System / Weighting: 6

Quality criterion - Name: Sustainability / Weighting: 6

Cost criterion - Name: Cost/ Price / Weighting: 70

### **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**

Restricted procedure

#### **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 000-023292](#)

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

### **Contract No**

1

### **Title**

Contract

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

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

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

6 February 2024

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

Number of tenders received: 2

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 1

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

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 1

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 2

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

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

McKelvey Construction Ltd.

17 Carrickadartans Road

Castleberg

BT81 7NQ

Email

[terina@mckelveyconstruction.co.uk](mailto:terina@mckelveyconstruction.co.uk)

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

Internet address

<https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps>

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot: £4,500,000

Total value of the contract/lot: £4,744,136.07

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

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

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

Royal Courts of Justice NI

Belfast

Country

United Kingdom

#### **VI.4.2) Body responsible for mediation procedures**

Royal Courts of Justice NI

Belfast

Country

United Kingdom

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

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

As per PCR 2015

#### **VI.4.4) Service from which information about the review procedure may be obtained**

Royal Courts of Justice NI

Belfast

Country

United Kingdom