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## **SC230253 - Minerals and Waste Planning Policy**

Kent County 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**

UKJ4 - Kent

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

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

Buyer's address

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

**I.3) Communication**

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

<https://www.kentbusinessportal.org.uk/>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

<https://www.kentbusinessportal.org.uk/>

**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**

SC230253 - Minerals and Waste Planning Policy

Reference number

DN710074

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

- 90000000 - Sewage, refuse, cleaning and environmental services

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

Services

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

Kent County Council is seeking specialist professional planning support across both the Mineral and Waste Local Plan and Planning Application Group both of which are statutory work areas.

The contract will be for an initial 3-year term with an optional 1-year extension for the period from 21 October 2024 onwards.

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

This contract is divided into lots: No

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

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

NUTS codes

- UKJ4 - Kent

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

Kent County Council (the Council) is seeking specialist professional planning support across both the Kent Mineral and Waste Local Plan (KMWLP) and Planning Application Group (PAG) both of which are statutory work areas, for a 3 year + 1 year extension

option for the period from 21 October 2024 onwards.

There is an ongoing statutory requirement for review of the KMWLP to assess whether the plan needs updating, and a requirement for monitoring and assessment. We are required to review the KMWLP every 5 years. This is to ensure that the policies remain relevant, conform to national policy and guidance and satisfactorily address the needs of the local community. The 5-year review commenced in 2021 and identified the need for a number of changes to reflect changes in national and local policy and guidance since 2016. These include changes to the National Planning Policy Framework, government policy on climate change, protection and enhancement of the natural environment and achievement of a circular economy.

The core of the work requirement will focus on Mineral and Waste Planning Policy, which would be for at least 80% of the overall work requirement. The remaining requirement is the periodic need for professional planning resources in the County Matter (Minerals and Waste) team within the PAG to support the delivery of statutory duties in relation to Development Management including support for Development Consent Order Proposals. This element of the work is called off when it is required and is not guaranteed to be required but will be allowed for within the scope.

There is a need to maintain some flexibility in relation to the programme, quantity, balance and pattern of work. For this reason, before the start of each new year the Council would wish to review the likely work programme for local plan and other work in advance.

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

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

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

Duration in months

36

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

Initial 36-month (3-year) contract term

Optional 12-month (1-year) extension

**II.2.10) Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: No

**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**

Competitive procedure with negotiation

#### **IV.1.5) Information about negotiation**

The contracting authority reserves the right to award the contract on the basis of the initial tenders without conducting negotiations

#### **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

3 April 2024

Local time

12:00pm

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

English

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

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

This is a recurrent procurement: Yes

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

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

Kent County Council

Maidstone

Country

United Kingdom