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Tender

## **National Planning Support Framework**

Forestry Commission, acting through Forestry England (hereinafter referred to as Forestry England)

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-0322b2

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

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

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UK - United Kingdom

**National registration number**

United Kingdom

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Main address

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**I.3) Communication**

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

<https://www.delta-esourcing.com/tenders/UK-UK-Bristol:-Architectural%2C-construction%2C-engineering-and-inspection-services./K4K45NM485>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted to the above-mentioned address

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

Ministry or any other national or federal authority

**I.5) Main activity**

Other activity

Forestry

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## **Section II: Object**

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

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

National Planning Support Framework

Reference number

FEE/0768

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

- 71000000 - Architectural, construction, engineering and inspection services

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

Services

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

We intend to award a framework contract for Planning Support. The framework will be divided into 8 geographic lots, with a maximum 3 Suppliers per lot.

The core objective of the framework is to obtain the necessary consents within the Town and Country Planning Legislation to allow all works on the estate that require planning to be delivered.

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

Value excluding VAT: £1,085,000

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

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

Tenders may be submitted for all lots

Maximum number of lots that may be awarded to one tenderer: 8

The contracting authority reserves the right to award contracts combining the following lots or groups of lots:

Suppliers may bid for any, or all, of the framework lots however they must be able to demonstrate that they have the appropriate capacity and resources to undertake any required works, concurrently, across the selected lots.

## **II.2) Description**

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

North District - West

Lot No

1

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

- 90713000 - Environmental issues consultancy services

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

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

Main site or place of performance

UNITED KINGDOM

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

\*See Framework Scope for more information

Lots 1 & 2 – North District

North England Forest District (NEFD) is the management unit that manages the public forest estate in Northern England. This is an extensive area encompassing 9 county or unitary authority areas from the Scottish border to Durham and Lancashire. For the purposes of this framework we have split the District into 2 separate lots - “North District West” & “North District East”.

North District West (Lot 1)

Key aspects:

Working within Lake District National Park.

Experience of Cultural Heritage, Health Impact Assessment (HIA), World Heritage, Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB), Special Areas of Conservation (SAC) and other designations.

### **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: £200,000

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

Duration in months

48

This contract is subject to renewal

No

### **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

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

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## **II.2) Description**

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

North District - West

Lot No

2

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

- 90713000 - Environmental issues consultancy services

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

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

Main site or place of performance

UNITED KINGDOM

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

\*See Framework Scope for more information

Lots 1 & 2 – North District

North England Forest District (NEFD) is the management unit that manages the public forest estate in Northern England. This is an extensive area encompassing 9 county or unitary authority areas from the Scottish border to Durham and Lancashire. For the purposes of this framework we have split the District into 2 separate lots - “North District West” & “North District East”.

North District East (Lot 2)

Key aspects:

- Working within Northumberland National Park.
- Peatland experience.

•Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB), Special Areas of Conservation (SAC) and other designations.

### **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: £200,000

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

Duration in months

48

This contract is subject to renewal

No

### **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

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

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## **II.2) Description**

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

Yorkshire

Lot No

3

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

- 90713000 - Environmental issues consultancy services

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

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

Main site or place of performance

UNITED KINGDOM

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

Lot 3 – Yorkshire

Key aspects:

- Working within the North York Moors National Park, Howardian Hills AONB and other local planning authorities across Yorkshire.
- The district has numerous designations including Special Areas of Conservation (SAC), Special Protection Areas (SPA), Sites of Specific Scientific Interest (SSSI), scheduled monuments and other designations.
- The District has diverse woodlands, including community woodlands, with a variety of current and future commercial, residential and recreational development opportunities.
- Sustainable design and infrastructure for existing and future opportunities.

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

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



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

Value excluding VAT: £150,000

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

Duration in months

48

This contract is subject to renewal

No

## **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

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

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## **II.2) Description**

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

Central District

Lot No

4

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

- 90713000 - Environmental issues consultancy services

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

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

Main site or place of performance

UNITED KINGDOM

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

Lot 4 - Central District

Key aspects:

- Working in Peak District National Park
- Central England Forest District covers 28,000 ha in a triangle from Milton Keynes to Preston to the Humber Estuary.
- The District has diverse woodlands and open habitats including ancient woodland, productive conifer and broadleaf forests and new community woodlands on former brownfield land.

### **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: £100,000

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

Duration in months

48

This contract is subject to renewal

No

### **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

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

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## **II.2) Description**

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

East District

Lot No

5

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

- 90713000 - Environmental issues consultancy services

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

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

Main site or place of performance

UNITED KINGDOM

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

Lot 5 - East District

Key aspects:

- The East England Forest District covers an area of 35,000 ha from North Norfolk to Brighton and includes Thetford Forest and the outlying beats of Sandlings, Kent, East Sussex, Chilterns and Thames Chase Community Forest.
- The District has a varied landholding including the largest lowland pine forest in England at Thetford, community woodland on the outskirts of London at Thames Chase, and a range of mixed woodland, many of which are on sites of Ancient Woodland.
- There are numerous sites of conservation interest designated across the District, including Special Protection Areas to conserve the breeding habitat for the Woodlark and Nightjar, SAC, Sites of Specific Scientific Interest (SSSI), AONB, Ancient Semi-Natural Woodland, County Wildlife Sites and Scheduled Monuments.

## **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: £75,000

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

Duration in months

48

This contract is subject to renewal

No

### **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

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

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## **II.2) Description**

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

South District

Lot No

6

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

- 90713000 - Environmental issues consultancy services

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

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

Main site or place of performance

UNITED KINGDOM

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

Lot 6 - South District

Key aspects:

- South England Forest District is responsible for the management of some 48,000ha of the public forest estate in England of which 26,284ha makes up the New Forest. The New Forest is made up of a unique combination of heathland, ancient woodland, wetlands and grassy plains.
- Planning work will be focused on existing built infrastructure, changes of land use and new infrastructure. Formal planning consents may also be required to deliver the objectives of the New Forest Higher Level Stewardship Scheme and Forestry England's Site of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI) Restoration commitments in the New Forest.
- The application will need to meet the planning requirements of the relevant Local Planning Authority (LPA); for example, for planning applications related to wetland restoration projects in the New Forest, the New Forest National Park Authority (NFNPA) is the relevant LPA.

## **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: £200,000

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

Duration in months

48

This contract is subject to renewal

No

## **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

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

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## **II.2) Description**

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

West – Forest of Dean, Wyre, Marches & Westonbirt

Lot No

7

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

- 90713000 - Environmental issues consultancy services

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

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

Main site or place of performance

UNITED KINGDOM

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

Lot 7 West – Forest of Dean, Wyre, Marches & Westonbirt

### Key aspects:

- The north half of the West England Forest District. Mixed woodlands and infrastructure across this area which is very diverse. Many different designations to contend with. Planning work will be focused on existing built infrastructure, mostly at recreation sites.
- Westonbirt, the National Arboretum (240ha) lies within the Cotswolds AONB and is designated as a Grade 1 Registered Park & Garden and an Ancient Semi-Natural Woodland. Forestry England have aspirations to continue to develop the arboretum's built infrastructure. Consents are likely to include; change of use, AGFO, engaging with Historic England and supporting recreation activity.

### **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: £100,000

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

Duration in months

48

This contract is subject to renewal

No

### **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

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

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## **II.2) Description**

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

West – Somerset, Devon & Cornwall

Lot No

8

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

- 90713000 - Environmental issues consultancy services

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

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

Main site or place of performance

UNITED KINGDOM

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

Lot 8 West – Somerset, Devon & Cornwall

Key aspects:

- The south half of West England Forest District. Mixed woodlands and infrastructure across this area which is very diverse. Many different designations to contend with. Planning work will be focused on existing built infrastructure, mostly at recreation sites.

### **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: £60,000

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

Duration in months

48

This contract is subject to renewal

No

### **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

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

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

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

#### **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

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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

Framework agreement with several operators

#### **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

20 April 2022

Local time

12:00pm

#### **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: 3 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)

#### **IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders**

Date

20 April 2022

Local time

12:00pm

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

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

This is a recurrent procurement: No

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

The contracting authority considers that this contract may be suitable for economic operators that are small or medium enterprises (SMEs). However, any selection of tenderers will be based solely on the criteria set out for the procurement.

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

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

High Court

The Strand

London

WC2A 2LL

Country

United Kingdom

Internet address

<https://www.gov.uk/courts-tribunals>

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

See Contract Data

See Contract Data

Country

United Kingdom