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Contract

Removal of Bodies on behalf of HM Coroner for Cumbria

Cumberland Council

F03: Contract award notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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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

Removal of Bodies on behalf of HM Coroner for Cumbria

Reference number

DN700630

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 98370000 - Funeral and related services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Cumberland council, as 'relevant authority' for coroner's services in Cumbria is seeking suitable contractor(s) to enter a contract(s) for the 'Removal of Bodies on behalf of the HM Coroners' within the county of Cumbria.

As 'relevant authority' Cumberland Council has the statutory responsibility to provide appropriate, timely and robust arrangements for the collection and/or transportation of a deceased person when the death needs to be referred to HM Coroner for investigation if the death occurred within the Cumbria Coroners area.

The Contract Term and Value are given for the maximum period of 6 years. This is based on 3-years plus an optional extension of 2-years and a final extension of 12 months.

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

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

Value excluding VAT: £2,197,000

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Removal of Bodies on behalf of HM Coroner for Cumbria - Lot 1: North Cumbria

Lot No

1

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 98370000 - Funeral and related services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKD1 - Cumbria

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Cumberland council, as 'relevant authority' for coroner's services in Cumbria is seeking suitable contractor(s) to enter a contract(s) for the 'Removal of Bodies on behalf of the

HM Coroners' within the county of Cumbria.

As 'relevant authority' Cumberland Council has the statutory responsibility to provide appropriate, timely and robust arrangements for the collection and/or transportation of a deceased person when the death needs to be referred to hm coroner for investigation if the death occurred within the Cumbria Coroners area.

Lot 1: North Cumbria

Carlisle and the surrounding area, with boundaries are coterminous with what was the old 'Carlisle City Council' area.

The area approximately covers to the Scottish border to the North, and to the Northumberland border to the east. West to the Solway estuary and the village of Kirkbampton, and south to Dalston / Sebergham.

(Designated mortuary – CIC, Carlisle).

Included are the potential transfer / collection of cases between CIC in Carlisle, WGH in Whitehaven and RLI in Lancaster, or other hospitals as required by HM Coroner.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 60

Price - Weighting: 40

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) Description

II.2.1) Title

Removal of Bodies on behalf of HM Coroner for Cumbria - Lot 2: Eden Valley / East Cumbria, and South-East Cumbria

Lot No

2

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 98370000 - Funeral and related services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKD1 - Cumbria

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Cumberland council, as 'relevant authority' for coroner's services in Cumbria is seeking suitable contractor(s) to enter a contract(s) for the 'Removal of Bodies on behalf of the HM Coroners' within the county of Cumbria.

As 'relevant authority' Cumberland Council has the statutory responsibility to provide appropriate, timely and robust arrangements for the collection and/or transportation of a deceased person when the death needs to be referred to hm coroner for investigation if the death occurred within the Cumbria Coroners area.

Lot 2: Eden Valley / East Cumbria, and South-East Cumbria

Penrith, Eden Valley, and the surrounding area, and Kendal and South-East Cumbria.

Area approximately covers Southwaite / Alston to the north, Patterdale and Glenridding to the west, Appleby / Brough / Kirkby Stephen / Sedbergh / Kirby Lonsdale to the east, and the A591 corridor covering Ambleside, Windermere, and Kendal. The south-east boundary of this Lot 2 is that of Lancashire and Yorkshire.

(Designated mortuaries, subject to the place of death – CIC, Carlisle or RLI, Lancaster).

Included are the potential transfer / collection of cases between CIC in Carlisle, and RLI in Lancaster, or other hospitals as required by HM Coroner.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 60

Price - Weighting: 40

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) Description

II.2.1) Title

Removal of Bodies on behalf of HM Coroner for Cumbria - Lot 3: South Cumbria

Lot No

3

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 98370000 - Funeral and related services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKD1 - Cumbria

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Cumberland council, as 'relevant authority' for coroner's services in Cumbria is seeking suitable contractor(s) to enter a contract(s) for the 'Removal of Bodies on behalf of the HM Coroners' within the county of Cumbria.

As 'relevant authority' Cumberland Council has the statutory responsibility to provide appropriate, timely and robust arrangements for the collection and/or transportation of a deceased person when the death needs to be referred to hm coroner for investigation if the death occurred within the Cumbria Coroners area.

Lot 3: South Cumbria

Barrow-in-Furness and south Cumbria.

Area approximately covers Barrow-in-Furness and Walney Island to the south, Coniston / Broughton-in-Furness to the north, and east to Grange-over-Sands.

(Designated mortuaries, subject to location of the deceased – FGH, Barrow or RLI, Lancaster).

Included in this are any necessary transfer and collection of cases between FGH in Barrow and RLI in Lancaster.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 60

Price - Weighting: 40

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) Description

II.2.1) Title

Removal of Bodies on behalf of HM Coroner for Cumbria - Lot 4: Copeland and Allerdale

Lot No

4

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 98370000 - Funeral and related services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKD1 - Cumbria

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Cumberland council, as 'relevant authority' for coroner's services in Cumbria is seeking suitable contractor(s) to enter a contract(s) for the 'Removal of Bodies on behalf of the HM Coroners' within the county of Cumbria.

As 'relevant authority' Cumberland Council has the statutory responsibility to provide appropriate, timely and robust arrangements for the collection and/or transportation of a deceased person when the death needs to be referred to hm coroner for investigation if the death occurred within the Cumbria Coroners area.

Lot 4: Copeland and Allerdale

The previous local authority areas of Copeland and Allerdale

The area approximately covers Millom / Haverigg to the south, then Whitehaven / Workington / Maryport / Silloth to the west or coastline. Including Cockermouth and Keswick to the east, and north to Burgh-by-Sands / Thursby / Caldbeck.

(Designated mortuary, subject to the place of death – WCH, Whitehaven and CIC, Carlisle).

Lot 4 will potentially include any necessary transfer and collections between WCH in Whitehaven, CIC in Carlisle and RLI in Lancaster.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 60

Price - Weighting: 40

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

Open 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 000-034716](#)

Section V. Award of contract

Contract No

DN699257

Lot No

1

Title

Removal of Bodies on behalf of HM Coroner for Cumbria - Lot 1: North Cumbria

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

15 February 2024

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 6

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 4

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

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 0

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 6

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

George Hudson & Sons Ltd

118 Wigton Road

Carlisle

CA2 7ES

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKD1 - Cumbria

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £322,000

Section V. Award of contract

Contract No

DN699257

Lot No

2

Title

Removal of Bodies on behalf of HM Coroner for Cumbria - Lot 2: Eden Valley / East Cumbria, and South-East Cumbria

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

15 February 2024

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 6

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 4

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

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 0

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 6

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Walkers Funeral Services Ltd

Tynefield House

Penrith

CA11 8HY

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKD1 - Cumbria

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £485,000

Section V. Award of contract

Contract No

DN699257

Lot No

3

Title

Removal of Bodies on behalf of HM Coroner for Cumbria - Lot 3: South Cumbria

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

15 February 2024

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 6

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 4

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

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 0

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 6

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Saunders & Son Funeral Directors Ltd

24 Winfield Gardens, Allithwaite

Grange over Sands

LA11 7DF

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKD1 - Cumbria

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £725,000

Section V. Award of contract

Contract No

DN699257

Lot No

4

Title

Removal of Bodies on behalf of HM Coroner for Cumbria - Lot 4: Copeland and Allerdale

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

15 February 2024

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 6

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 4

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

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 0

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 6

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Mr Paul Johnston

9 Bowness Court

Workington

CA14 3SG

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKD1 - Cumbria

The contractor is an SME

No

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £665,000

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

High Court of England

London

Country

United Kingdom