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## **PROC 23 2079 Provision of Legal Accountancy Services**

Scottish Police Authority

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**3 May 2023, 12:00pm**

See the [change notice](#).

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

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

Scottish Police Authority

1 Pacific Quay, 2nd Floor

Glasgow

G51 1DZ

#### **Email**

[david.boyce@scotland.pnn.police](mailto:david.boyce@scotland.pnn.police)

#### **Telephone**

+44 1786895668

**Country**

United Kingdom

**NUTS code**

UKM82 - Glasgow City

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<http://www.spa.police.uk>

Buyer's address

[https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search\\_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA19762](https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA19762)

**I.2) Information about joint procurement**

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

**I.3) Communication**

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

<https://www.publictendersscotland.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/esop/pts-host/public/pts/web/login.html?VISITORID=3b1cc480-7407-459c-b2dc-efc8b4b096ed>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

<https://www.publictendersscotland.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/esop/pts-host/public/pts/web/login.html?VISITORID=3b1cc480-7407-459c-b2dc-efc8b4b096ed>

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

Body governed by public law

**I.5) Main activity**

Public order and safety

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## **Section II: Object**

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

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

PROC 23 2079 Provision of Legal Accountancy Services

Reference number

PROC 23 2079

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

- 79111000 - Legal advisory services

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

Services

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

The Authority is seeking services of a Legal Accountant an ongoing basis to independently review fee notes and itemised invoices received by the Authority / Police Scotland from Legal agents involved in relevant existing legal proceedings or new cases

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

This contract is divided into lots: No

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

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

NUTS codes

- UKM82 - Glasgow City

Main site or place of performance

French St, Dalmarnock, Glasgow, G40 4EH

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

Open Tender (Non-FTS)

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

Quality criterion - Name: Quality criteria as per ITT / Weighting: 60

Price - Weighting: 40

### **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

Contract may be renewed at the end of the contract period (including extensions if activated)

### **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

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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

It is a requirement of this tender that if the Tenderer is UK based they must hold a valid registration with Companies House. Where the Tenderer is UK based but not registered at Companies House they must v=be able to verify to the SPA's satisfaction that they are trading from the address provided in the tender and under the company name given.

Tenderers within the UK must confirm if they are registered under Companies House within this question.

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

List and brief description of selection criteria

SPD Question 4B6 Financial Standing:

The Authority will access a Credit safe report for a Tenderers organisation and use the information contained within to assist with the assessment of the Tenderer's economic and financial standing. Tenders are asked to provide their company number within the SPD to allow the Authority to access a Credit Safe Report.

Within such reports, the risk of business failure is expressed as a score of below 30 (high risk of business failure). In the event that a company is determined to have a risk failure rating of below 3 i.e. that the company is considered to have a high risk of business failure, the submission will not be considered further.

If you are successful in the award of this contract and your risk failure rating falls below 30 then the SPA reserve the right to remove you from this contract. It is the Contractor's responsibility to ensure that the information held by Credit Safe is accurate and up to date.

For the avoidance of doubt, the SPA will request a report from Credit Safe following the closing date for the receipt of the Tenders to ensure that the most up to date information is used. Where you are not registered on credit safe e.g. charitable organisations or new start companies/ Sole Traders with less than 3 years trading history, discretionary powers are available to the Director of Finance to consider abbreviated accounts along with bankers references etc.

Tenderers should be aware that any outstanding County Court Judgements will have a detrimental effect on the rating held by Credit Safe and it is your responsibility to ensure that the information held by Credit Safe is accurate and up to date - failure to do so will result in rejection of your submission.

**IMPORTANT NOTE:** This requirement is not applicable to Sole Traders/ Charities. Sole Traders/ Charities may be required to provide a bankers reference if successful.

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

List and brief description of selection criteria

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Within such reports, the risk of business failure is expressed as a score of 30 or below (high risk of business failure). In the event that a company is determined to have a risk failure rating of 30 and below i.e. that the company is considered to have a high risk of business failure, the submission will not be considered further.

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

#### **III.2.3) Information about staff responsible for the performance of the contract**

Obligation to indicate the names and professional qualifications of the staff assigned to performing the contract

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

Originally published as:

Date

26 April 2023

Local time

12:00pm

Changed to:

Date

3 May 2023

Local time

12:00pm

See the [change notice](#).

#### **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**

Tender must be valid until: 17 October 2023

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

Date

27 April 2023

Local time

12:00pm

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### **Section VI. Complementary information**

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

This is a recurrent procurement: No

#### **VI.2) Information about electronic workflows**

Electronic ordering will be used

Electronic invoicing will be accepted

Electronic payment will be used

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

Economic Operators

Applicable to OJEU Notices: Economic operators may be excluded from this competition if they are in any of the situations referred to in regulation 58 of the Public Contracts (Scotland) Regulations 2015.

Assessment of Employment Status

Tenderers may be asked to declare whether they intend to provide services through a Personal Service Company (PSC). From April 2017, the responsibility to pay employment taxes shifts from the PSC to public sector bodies and the Authority must be aware of any successful tenderer's detailed employment status.

For further information on determining employment status the Government has published guidance on this IR35 Legislation

Living Wage

Tenderers will be asked to confirm if they pay all employees as a minimum the Real Living Wage as published by the Living Wage Foundation for statistical information gathering purposes only.

#### Equality and Diversity

Tenderers will be required to comply with the statutory obligations under the Equality Act 2010.

#### Declaration of Non-Involvement in Serious Organised Crime

Tenderers must complete and sign a Declaration of Non-Involvement in Serious Organised Crime form.

#### Subcontractor Detail

Tenderers will be required to provide details of the subcontractors they intend to use in their supply chain. Tenderers are required to complete this section as part of the SPD.

#### Data Protection

Tenderers must be aware of their obligations under the Data Protection Act 2018 and the GDPR as set out in the Contract.

The buyer is using PCS-Tender to conduct this ITT exercise. The Project code is 23811. For more information see:

<http://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/info/InfoCentre.aspx?ID=2343>

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

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

Glasgow Sheriff Court

Glasgow

Country

United Kingdom