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## **Station Square Design Consultancy Services**

Torbay Council

F15: Voluntary ex ante transparency notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-03b7bb

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### **Section I: Contracting authority/entity**

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

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#### **Country**

United Kingdom

**Region code**

UKK42 - Torbay

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

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

Buyer's address

<http://www.torbay.gov.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**

Station Square Design Consultancy Services

Reference number

DN663636

**II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 79415200 - Design consultancy services

**II.1.3) Type of contract**

Services

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

VEAT notice to inform the market of Torbay Council's intention to award a further contract for design consultancy services to Ward Williams Associates which in effect increases the value of spend with Ward Williams Associates to a sum above the regulated threshold for services.

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

This contract is divided into lots: No

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

Lowest offer: £180,000 / Highest offer: £209,182 taken into consideration

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

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

NUTS codes

- UKK42 - Torbay

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

Torbay Council in accordance with the council contract procedures have undertaken a waiver process to appoint a design team, under Ward Williams Associates as lead consultant, which includes PJA (Highway design) and BD Landscapes (Hard and soft landscape design).

#### **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

Negotiated without a prior call for competition

- The works, supplies or services can be provided only by a particular economic operator for the following reason:
  - protection of exclusive rights, including intellectual property rights

Explanation:

On 26 March 2018, Torbay Council entered into a Contract with QSPM Consultants to provide services for developing Stage 3 design for townscape improvements, Station Square (Ref: TTDA318). These services were appointed through the SW Consultants Framework Call off. The key consultants assembled as part of this team included a lead architect, Phil Jones Associates (PJA), BD Landscape (BD) and Gingko. This Contract is now concluded.

On 28 June 2021, a new Contract was awarded to QSPM (and its design team) as an extension of the previous contract (TTDA318) as awarded under the SW Consultants Framework; to re-visit Stage 3 design and progress Stage 4 technical design. The Pricing for this Contract was in line with the Framework pricing agreement.

The Contract Fee for the above work is £117,852.

Under unfortunate and unforeseen circumstances, QSPM terminated the contract due to no longer have the resource or commitment to meet their obligations.

It was in the Council's interest however to retain the other design consultants given their previous work and detailed knowledge of the scheme.

Torbay Council awarded a contract under a Waiver process to Ward Williams Associates – to retain the sub consultants previously associated with the project.

WWA took over this management role to manage design services from RIBA Stage 4 and included continuation of the existing design team consultants to support on concluding the Stage 4 design primarily so we can reach a design agreement with Network Rail through the BAPA process.

The spend for these ongoing services is £6,330 (plus VAT) with the continued

management of consultants (WWA, PJA and BD Landscapes)

Torbay Council intend to increase the value of the Ward Williams appointment, retaining the sub consultants, to take the scheme into RIBA Stage 5 (including provision of a Bill of Quantities) and including necessary design support and associated services during the construction phase – ensuring delivery of this high-quality public realm project. The design team, under WWA as lead consultant, includes PJA (Highway design) and BD Landscapes (Hard and soft landscape design).

The approximate spend for these services is likely to be £85,000 (plus VAT).

#### **IV.1.8) Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)**

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

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

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

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

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

31 March 2023

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

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

#### **V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor/concessionaire**

Ward Williams Associates

Truro Office, Compass House, Truro Business Park, Threemilestone

Truro

TR4 9LD

Email

[enquiries@wwa.uk.com](mailto:enquiries@wwa.uk.com)

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKK42 - Torbay

The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

No

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

Lowest offer: £180,000 / Highest offer: £209,182 taken into consideration

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

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

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

Royal Courts of Justice

London

Country

United Kingdom