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Contract

## **TC852 - Transportation of bodies on behalf of the Coroner for Manchester City Council**

Manchester City Council

F03: Contract award notice

Notice identifier: 2023/S 000-010440

Procurement identifier (OCID): ocids-h6vhtk-038d4c

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

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

Manchester City Council

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#### **Country**

United Kingdom

**Region code**

UKD3 - Greater Manchester

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

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

Buyer's address

<http://www.manchester.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**

TC852 - Transportation of bodies on behalf of the Coroner for Manchester City Council

Reference number

DN647781

**II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 98370000 - Funeral and related services

**II.1.3) Type of contract**

Services

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

The adult public mortuary for Manchester City is provided by the Manchester NHS Foundation Trust (MFT) and can be found at the Manchester Royal Infirmary. The pediatric mortuary, provided by MFT is located at the Royal Manchester Children's Hospital.

Currently, all Coroners within the Greater Manchester area operate under one agreed protocol with regard to out-of-hours deaths and the release of the body to the family or undertaker. However, unless the GP can issue a Medical Certificate as to the Cause of Death (MCCD), the death must be treated as a sudden death, and the police will attend.

A previous voluntary rota for transporting bodies for the Coroner resulted in inconsistent service standards and additional costs and delays whilst an available funeral director is located. These delays inevitably caused distress to the relatives of the bereaved who have the right to expect prompt and dignified service.

The purpose of this contract will be to put in place a formal contractual arrangement with specified standards in order to achieve and maintain a consistently high standard of service whilst meeting the Senior Coroner's requirements in a manner which is sensitive to the needs of bereaved relatives.

Community deaths are managed by Greater Manchester Police who will draw down from this contract to support HM Senior Coroner. The jurisdiction of the Manchester City Coroner mirrors that of the A, B and C Divisions of Greater Manchester Police.

In 2021 there were approximately 960 deceased that needed transporting from their place of death within the community to the public mortuary at MFT at the request of GMP/Coroner.

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

This contract is divided into lots: No

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

Value excluding VAT: £300,000

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

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

NUTS codes

- UKD3 - Greater Manchester

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

TC852 - Transportation of bodies on behalf of HM Coroner on behalf of HM Coroner, Manchester (City) District

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

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 30

Quality criterion - Name: Social Value / Weighting: 20

Quality criterion - Name: Carbon Emissions / Weighting: 10

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.2.14) Additional information**

The Council used the e-business portal known as the Chest. Applicants needed to register their details at the following link [www.the-chest.org.uk](http://www.the-chest.org.uk).

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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.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure**

Notice number: [2022/S 000-035334](#)

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

### **Contract No**

TC852

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

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

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

5 April 2023

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

Number of tenders received: 2

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 2

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

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 2

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 2

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

**V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor**

Bate & Holland Funeral Services Ltd

2 Prescott Road

St Helens

WA10 3UB

Email

[mandy@bateandholland.com](mailto:mandy@bateandholland.com)

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKD3 - Greater Manchester

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £300,000

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

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

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

Manchester City Council

Manchester

Country

United Kingdom

Internet address

<https://www.manchester.gov.uk>