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# **SCH - Provision of Audit, Tax and Compliance Advice**

Solihull Community Housing

F02: Contract notice

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# **Section I: Contracting authority**

## I.1) Name and addresses

Solihull Community Housing

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Solihull

B37 6BX

#### Contact

Lewis Smith

#### **Email**

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#### Country

**United Kingdom** 

#### **NUTS** code

UKG32 - Solihull

#### Internet address(es)

Main address

http://www.csw-jets.co.uk/

## I.3) Communication

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

http://www.csw-jets.co.uk/

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

http://www.csw-jets.co.uk/

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

# I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

# I.5) Main activity

Housing and community amenities

# **Section II: Object**

### II.1) Scope of the procurement

#### II.1.1) Title

SCH - Provision of Audit, Tax and Compliance Advice

Reference number

SCH - 18881

#### II.1.2) Main CPV code

• 79212100 - Financial auditing services

#### II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

#### II.1.4) Short description

Solihull Council established Solihull Community Housing (SCH) as an Arms Length Management Organisation (ALMO) in April 2004 to manage and maintain the Councils' housing stock. With the use of £63.3M of additional funding to help achieve the Decent Homes Standard, SCH transformed, improved and modernised the interiors of the housing stock as well as achieve a 3 star (excellent) rating by the Audit Commission in 2008. SCH sets out its priorities for the year in its annual Delivery Plan organised as strategic objectives which are aligned to the strategic aims set out in the SCH Strategic Vision. Each objective has linked work packages and delivery milestones.SCH is seeking proposals from firms wishing to be considered for appointment as statutory external auditors and advisors to the company. All firms wishing to be considered for the award of this contract must be able to demonstrate at least three years' experience in the provision of finance auditing and tax services and gene

#### II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £210,000

#### II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

#### II.2) Description

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

- 79210000 Accounting and auditing services
- 79212000 Auditing services
- 79212300 Statutory audit services
- 79212100 Financial auditing services

#### II.2.3) Place of performance

**NUTS** codes

• UKG32 - Solihull

Main site or place of performance

Remote working is expected primarily, with attendance by the successful firm expected as required at offices owned or managed by Solihull Council or Solihull Community Housing.

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

SCH is seeking the services of a competent and qualified auditing organisation to support with financial services.

#### 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: £210,000

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

Start date

1 January 2025

End date

31 December 2027

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

There are two 12 month extension options available, subject to satisfactory performance and mutual agreement

#### 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

# 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

Bidders to refer to procurement documents to ascertain minimum requirements for this contract

#### 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

## 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

Date

6 May 2024

Local time

12:00pm

## IV.2.4) Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted

English

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

Date

6 May 2024

Local time

12:00pm

Place

Remote opening

# **Section VI. Complementary information**

## VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: Yes

## VI.2) Information about electronic workflows

Electronic invoicing will be accepted

Electronic payment will be used

### VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Solihull Community Housing

Solihull

Country

**United Kingdom** 

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

Solihull Metropolitan Borough Council

Solihull

Country

**United Kingdom** 

#### VI.4.3) Review procedure

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

SCH will incorporate a standstill period at the point when information on the proposed award of the contract is communicated to tenderers. The standstill period, which will be for a minimum of 10 calendar days, provides time for unsuccessful tenderers to challenge the award decision before the contract is entered into. Aggrieved parties who have been harmed or are at risk of harm by any breach of the SCH's obligations may take action in the High Court (England, Wales and Northern Ireland).

# VI.4.4) Service from which information about the review procedure may be obtained

Solihull Community Housing

Solihull

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