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Planning

Market Engagement for The Design, Build and Operation of a Gigabit Spine for Hampshire and Surrey

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

The Castle

WINCHESTER

SO238ZB

Email

strategic.procurement@hants.gov.uk

Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UKJ36 - Central Hampshire

Internet address(es)

Main address

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

I.3) Communication

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

<https://in-tendhost.co.uk/hampshire.aspx/Home>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

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

Market Engagement for The Design, Build and Operation of a Gigabit Spine for Hampshire and Surrey

Reference number

ET18861

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 45230000 - Construction work for pipelines, communication and power lines, for highways, roads, airfields and railways; flatwork

II.1.3) Type of contract

Works

II.1.4) Short description

Hampshire County Council, on behalf of the Enterprise M3 Local Enterprise Partnership (EM3), is seeking feedback from interested parties on a future project to work in partnership with the EM3 LEP, via a Collaboration Agreement, to design, build, install, commercialise, operate and maintain a new fibre spine and active network stretching 94 kms from Basingstoke to Guildford, via Hook, Camberley, Aldershot, Farnborough and Farnham.

This market engagement exercise is to gain feedback from the market on some specific questions focused on the contractual form/structure of a proposed collaboration agreement and other key areas to inform our approach to the planned formal procurement process.

To view our project overview document and respond to our market engagement questions please go to <https://in-tendhost.co.uk/hampshire.aspx/Tenders/Current>.

Please search for 'ET18861' and click on the 'Express your Interest' button. Your organisation will then be able to access the market engagement documents. If your organisation is not registered on the Hampshire In-tend Portal, you will need to register before accessing the documents (click on the 'Register' tab). Registration is free and a very simple process only requiring a few fields of information.

Your responses to our market engagement questions should be emailed to Fibre@enterprisem3.org.uk no later than Friday 10th June 2022.

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 32412100 - Telecommunications network
- 32520000 - Telecommunications cable and equipment

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKJ25 - West Surrey
- UKJ37 - North Hampshire

Main site or place of performance

West Surrey and North Hampshire

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Hampshire County Council, on behalf of Enterprise M3 Local Enterprise Partnership (EM3) will be seeking a suitably experienced supplier who will work with us, through a Collaboration Agreement, to design, build, install, commercialise, operate and maintain a new fibre spine and active network stretching 94km from Basingstoke to Guildford, via Hook, Camberley, Aldershot, Farnborough and Farnham. This will provide a completely new ducted, high fibre count (432+) backhaul network for large parts of the West Surrey and North Hampshire area and facilitate the delivery of further ducted network fibre spine infrastructure and local fibre access networks. This market engagement exercise is seeking feedback from suppliers in order to inform the final specification and procurement approach.

II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

1 October 2022

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes