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Tender

Provision of Transportation of School Meals

Falkirk Council

F02: Contract notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-02b6dd

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

Falkirk Council

Municipal Buildings, West Bridge Street

Falkirk

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Email

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Telephone

+44 1324506566

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

UKM76 - Falkirk

Internet address(es)

Main address

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

Buyer's address

https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA00184

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.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/Default.aspx>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

<https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/Default.aspx>

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

Provision of Transportation of School Meals

Reference number

CS/014/21

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 600000000 - Transport services (excl. Waste transport)

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Falkirk Council is leading a procurement on its own account to secure a provider of Transportation of School Meals, to enable the organisation to meet their duties and responsibilities.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £460,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 600000000 - Transport services (excl. Waste transport)

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKM76 - Falkirk

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Falkirk Council has a requirement to engage with suitably qualified suppliers as part of an agreement for the Transportation of School Meals from its School Kitchen production units to non-production schools and nurseries/early years centres.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 35

Price - Weighting: 65

II.2.6) Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: £460,000

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

Duration in months

48

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

The initial contract duration is 24 months with the option to extend for a further 2 x 12 month periods.

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.1.2) 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

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

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Open procedure

IV.1.3) Information about a framework agreement or a dynamic purchasing system

The procurement involves the establishment of a framework agreement

Framework agreement with several operators

Envisaged maximum number of participants to the framework agreement: 4

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

1 July 2021

Local time

11:00am

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

Duration in months: 4 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)

IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders

Date

1 July 2021

Local time

11:00am

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: No

VI.2) Information about electronic workflows

Electronic invoicing will be accepted

Electronic payment will be used

VI.3) Additional information

NOTE: To register your interest in this notice and obtain any additional information please visit the Public Contracts Scotland Web Site at

https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/Search/Search_Switch.aspx?ID=655737.

The buyer has indicated that it will accept electronic responses to this notice via the Postbox facility. A user guide is available at

https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/sitehelp/help_guides.aspx.

Suppliers are advised to allow adequate time for uploading documents and to dispatch the electronic response well in advance of the closing time to avoid any last minute problems.

Community benefits are included in this requirement. For more information see:

<http://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/info/InfoCentre.aspx?ID=2361>

A summary of the expected community benefits has been provided as follows:

5. Falkirk Council, in accordance with its Strategic Outcomes & Local Delivery Plan and Economic Strategy, aims to combat social exclusion and deprivation by promoting opportunities for training and employment for the long term unemployed. The Contractor must be able to demonstrate its intention to integrate trainees and [long term] unemployed persons into the labour market without distinction of sex, marital status, race, ethnic origin or political or religious beliefs.

Falkirk Council also specifically wishes to encourage and intends to support the training and skills development of young and/or inexperienced people in order that they can be equipped to work successfully in a customer facing/customer support environment. The contractor is, therefore, required to train such young and/or inexperienced people.

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VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Falkirk Sheriff Court

Main Street

Falkirk

FK1 4AR

Country

United Kingdom

VI.4.3) Review procedure

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

A tenderer that suffers loss as a result of a breach of duty under the Public Contracts (Scotland) Regulations 2015 may bring proceedings in the Sheriff Court or the Court of Session. Falkirk Council (the Council) will have a minimum standstill period of 10 days before awarding the contract. The communication of the award decision notice will be sent by e-mail to all tenderers with the standstill period commencing on the next day. If proceedings are started in the Sheriff Court or the Court of Session against the Council in respect of the decision to award the contract within the standstill period then the Council is prevented from awarding the contract. Post contract award the Sheriff Court or the Court of Session may (1) award damages provided proceedings are brought within 3 months from the date when the grounds for the bringing of the proceedings first arose (2) be entitled to issue an ineffectiveness order or impose a financial penalty on the Council. A claim for an ineffectiveness order must be made within 30 days of the Contract Award Notice being published or within 30 days of the date those who expressed an interest in or otherwise bid for the contract were informed of the conclusion of the contract or in any other case within 6 months from the date on which the contract was entered into.