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Contract

FWK1159 - Planning Legal Services

The Corporate Officer of the House of Commons and the Corporate Officer of the House of Lords (acting jointly)

F03: Contract award notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocids-h6vhtk-045290

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

The Corporate Officer of the House of Commons and the Corporate Officer of the House of Lords (acting jointly)

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LONDON

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UKI32 - Westminster

Justification for not providing organisation identifier

Not on any register

Internet address(es)

Main address

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

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Ministry or any other national or federal authority

I.5) Main activity

General public services

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

FWK1159 - Planning Legal Services

Reference number

FWK1159

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 79100000 - Legal services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

The Corporate Officer of the House of Commons and The Corporate Officer of the House of Lords acting jointly, require the services of Town Legal LLP to provide legal services in the field of planning law for building projects/ programmes on or which affect the Parliamentary Estate.

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: £500,000

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKI - London

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The Corporate Officer of the House of Commons and The Corporate Officer of the House

of Lords acting jointly, require the services of Town Legal LLP to provide legal services in the field of planning law for building projects/ programmes on or which affect the Parliamentary Estate.

The largest of the programmes is Restoration and Renewal which includes the restoration of the Palace of Westminster as well as the provision of temporary accommodation for the House of Lords, both of which are being delivered by Restoration and Renewal Delivery Authority Limited and the temporary accommodation for the House of Commons, the proposals for which are being progressed by the Authority's Strategic Estates team.

The Delivery Authority was established pursuant to the Parliamentary Buildings (Restoration and Renewal) Act 2019 and has duties under the Act in relation to the restoration and renewal of the Palace of Westminster and the delivery of the Parliamentary building works (as defined in the Act) as part of the Restoration and Renewal (R&R) Programme.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Price

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: No

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Award of a contract without prior publication of a call for competition in the cases listed below

- The procurement falls outside the scope of application of the regulations

Explanation:

Planning legal services fall within Schedule 3 of the Public Contracts Regulations 2015, meaning that they are governed by the light touch regime. As of 1 January 2024, the threshold for the light touch regime is £663,540 (inclusive of VAT), which means this proposed Framework Agreement is sub-threshold.

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

The procurement involves the establishment of a framework agreement

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

Section V. Award of contract

Title

Planning Legal Services

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

4 April 2024

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 1

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Town Legal LLP

London

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKI - London

Companies House

OC413003

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £500,000

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

The High Court of Justice

London

Country

United Kingdom