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## **SC23007 - Gravesend to Tilbury Ferry Service**

Kent County Council

F02: Contract notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-03ce4a

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

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

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#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **Region code**



UKJ4 - Kent

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

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

Buyer's address

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

**I.3) Communication**

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

<https://www.kentbusinessportal.org.uk/>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

<https://www.kentbusinessportal.org.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**

SC23007 - Gravesend to Tilbury Ferry Service

Reference number



DN671263

### **II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 60000000 - Transport services (excl. Waste transport)

### **II.1.3) Type of contract**

Services

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

This requirement is for the provision of a Gravesend to Tilbury foot passenger ferry service promoted by Kent County Council and Thurrock Council which connects Kent with Essex, providing links for education, social and employment purposes.

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

This contract is divided into lots: No

## **II.2) Description**

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

NUTS codes

- UKJ4 - Kent

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

The Gravesend to Tilbury ferry Service is an initiative promoted by Kent County Council and Thurrock Council. This ferry service has a history dating back to the 13th century.

The Councils objectives for the ferry Service are as follows:

- the provision of a passenger ferry service between Gravesend and Tilbury, using nominated landing stages.
- compliance with all statutory requirements of operating a passenger ferry service in UK categorised waters; and
- to explore the provision of a vessel with enhanced levels of accessibility, improved environmental credentials, a high-quality passenger experience and a high-quality appearance.
- to explore the provision of additional services / sailings e.g., the operation of a Sunday



service and additional evening or earlier journeys.

The terminal points are based in Gravesend, Kent and Tilbury, Essex. The service will use the Town Pier pontoon at Gravesend and the Port of Tilbury landing stage. The landing stages are owned and managed by Collins River Enterprises Ltd and the Port of Tilbury respectively. Kent County Council and Thurrock Council will ensure that the necessary rights exist for the operator to access the landing stages, including covering the costs of any applicable access rights or departure fees.

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

Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

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

Duration in months

77

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

Initial Contract Term: 4 years and 5 months (53 months)

Contract Extension: 1 + 1 years (12 + 12 months)

#### **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



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## **Section IV. Procedure**

### **IV.1) Description**

#### **IV.1.1) Type of procedure**

Competitive procedure with negotiation

#### **IV.1.5) Information about negotiation**

The contracting authority reserves the right to award the contract on the basis of the initial tenders without conducting negotiations

#### **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

20 June 2023

Local time

12:00pm

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

English



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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.1) Information about recurrence**

This is a recurrent procurement: Yes

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

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

Kent County Council

Maidstone

Country

United Kingdom