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## **Reading Library Relocation (Reading Civic)**

Reading Borough Council

F01: Prior information notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-03d05c

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

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

Reading Borough Council

Civic Offices

Bridge St, Reading

RG1 2LU

#### **Contact**

Bill Warden

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#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **Region code**

UKJ11 - Berkshire

**Justification for not providing organisation identifier**

Not on any register

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://www.reading.gov.uk/>

**I.3) Communication**

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

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**Section II: Object**

**II.1) Scope of the procurement**

**II.1.1) Title**

Reading Library Relocation (Reading Civic)

**II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 45000000 - Construction work

**II.1.3) Type of contract**

Works

**II.1.4) Short description**

This project comprises the relocation of Reading Central Library from its current location

on nearby Kings Road into the RBC Civic Office building on Bridge Street, with associated Customer Reception remodelling.

### **II.1.5) Estimated total value**

Value excluding VAT: £6,000,000

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

This contract is divided into lots: No

## **II.2) Description**

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

NUTS codes

- UKJ11 - Berkshire

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

This project comprises the relocation of Reading Central Library from its current location on nearby Kings Road into the RBC Civic Office building on Bridge Street, with associated Customer Reception remodelling. The scope of works is as follows:

- Provision of 1400m<sup>2</sup> net library accommodation within the existing building, at ground and first floor.
- Enclosure of southern courtyard to create library space.
- Construction of new extension to the South-East side of the building, to form new welcoming entrance sequence for the building, also accommodating remodelled customer service reception and support spaces.
- Re-located Registrars spaces.
- Re-location of Brighter Futures from south side to north side to allow space for 1st floor library.
- Re-location of Office spaces to other parts of the building to allow space for Library and Brighter Futures moves.
- External landscaping associated with the new extension.

The Civic Customer Redesign and Library Relocation project looks to maximise the

opportunity to redesign the main Civic Offices, creating a one public estate that introduces a cultural and service provision to our residents in one place, be it for support with Housing, Registrars, Children and Adult Services, Community space as well as being our Central Library offer. The re-design of the front of house service provides opportunity to combine resources, space and services to maximise services from one location. The design will offer a clear new identity to the Central Library as well as the reception; it will be welcoming, accessible and clearly visible from the public realm. The inviting frontage of the building will feature quality design to attract people in, with one customer journey flowing through the space.

#### **II.2.14) Additional information**

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#### **II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice**

19 June 2023

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### **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

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.3) Additional information**

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