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Future opportunity

Belfast Stories Integrated Design Team

Belfast City Council

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

Belfast City Council

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Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

UKN06 - Belfast

Internet address(es)

Main address

https://www.belfastcity.gov.uk/tenders

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

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Belfast Stories Integrated Design Team

Reference number

PQQ 4327

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 71220000 - Architectural design services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Project Definition:

Belfast Stories is a City Deal Project. Tourism-led regeneration is one of the four main pillars of the Belfast Region City Deal announced in the Autumn Budget 2018. The other pillars are Innovation, Infrastructure and Employability & Skills. The deal has a commitment from the NI Executive, local government, and the private sector to create a co-investment package of around £1 billion.

Belfast Stories is a unique visitor destination of unprecedented scale and ambition in the heart of the city centre that will serve as a catalyst for economic, social, and cultural regeneration of the city and wider region.

By 2028, following an unparalleled programme of story collection across the city and beyond, exciting new visitor destination currently named Belfast Stories will open. It will reflect the unique spirit of Belfast with through first-person accounts brought to life through a variety of media and a mix of immersive experiences. It will drive culture-led regeneration across the city, enabling international and local visitors to connect with Belfast and one another through stories, screen, and social spaces. Located on the historic site where North Street meets Royal Avenue, this £100m landmark development will create a major tourism anchor right in the city centre – an authentic experience with Belfast's people and personality at its heart.

Belfast Stories has 3 key components:

• Belfast Stories – Visitor experience

• Belfast Screen Centre – State of the art, multi screened cultural cinema and centre for NI screen industries including skills development space.

• Social Spaces – To eat, drink, shop, meet, network and relax.

Project Location:

The site acquired for Belfast Stories is a 5,000 sq.m key city centre site on the corner of Royal Avenue and North Street on the main retail thoroughfare and a suitable location for maximising the regeneration potential for the city centre.

The site includes the former Bank of Ireland (occupying approx. 6% of the site), built in 1928. Clad in Portland Limestone with tower and clock featuring decorative metal window panels it is a Grade B+ listed building.

Completion:

The construction works are indicatively indicated to be completed by Quarter 2, 2028.

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 71220000 - Architectural design services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKN06 - Belfast

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Procurement Guidance Note 04/12 sets out the basis for the award of contracts. It can be accessed at the following link:

https://www.finance-ni.gov.uk/publications/procurement-guidance-note-0412-procurement-control-limits-and-basis-contract-awards

This Contract will be awarded on the basis of the Most Economically Advantageous Tender (MEAT) assessed from the point of view of the Contracting Authority. The MEAT will be identified on the basis of the best price/quality ratio.

7.5 FORM OF CONTRACT

An NEC4 Professional Services Contract will be used to provide the Services. Full details of the contract conditions will be set out in the Invitation to Tender documents (ITT).

II.2.14) Additional information

Further information regarding this project can be obtained via the separately available Prior Information Memorandum (PIM). This can be requested by emailing pmu@belfastcity.gov.uk

II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

8 July 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