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Planning

Milk & Dairy Procurement

Monmouthshire County Council

F01: Prior information notice

Prior information only

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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

Buyer's address

https://www.sell2wales.gov.wales/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA0277

I.2) Information about joint procurement

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

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

Milk & Dairy Procurement

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 15500000 - Dairy products

II.1.3) Type of contract

Supplies

II.1.4) Short description

Monmouthshire County Council are proposing to undertake a procurement exercise for the provision of milk, dairy, eggs, and plant based dairy alternatives.

It is anticipated that the scope of the products covered by this procurement exercise will include a range of dairy products including but not limited to whole milk, semi skimmed milk, skimmed milk, organic milk, plant-based milk alternatives, eggs, ice cream, yoghurt, and plant-based alternatives.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £272,900

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

North Monmouthshire

Lot No

1

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 15500000 - Dairy products
- 15550000 - Assorted dairy products
- 15511000 - Milk
- 15551300 - Yoghurt
- 15555100 - Ice cream
- 03142500 - Eggs
- 15540000 - Cheese products

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKL21 - Monmouthshire and Newport

Main site or place of performance

North Monmouthshire Sites.

Please see attached PIN document for full detail of sites

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The Council has previously procured its milk and dairy products as part of a wider collaborative framework. The Council is however keen to ensure that food procurement aligns with the Councils ambition to be a zero-carbon county and its wider policies for decarbonisation and socially responsible procurement.

The Council has also undertaken a review of its supply requirements including lotting, supply chain resilience and distribution and delivery needs which has necessitated a stand-alone procurement process to reflect our revised needs. We have introduced an alternative lotting strategy to enable micro and Small Medium Enterprises to access this procurement process, to increase supply chain resilience for essential commodities and to reflect the distribution requirements and geographic extent of the County.

II.2.14) Additional information

This Prior Information Notice (PIN) is a call for expression of interest regarding the supply and delivery of milk, dairy products, and plant-based alternatives throughout Monmouthshire. Deliveries will be made to individual sites within specified time slots when a member of staff is present to receive the goods.

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

South Monmouthshire

Lot No

2

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 15500000 - Dairy products
- 15550000 - Assorted dairy products
- 15511000 - Milk
- 15551300 - Yoghurt
- 15555000 - Ice cream and similar products
- 03142500 - Eggs
- 15540000 - Cheese products

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKL21 - Monmouthshire and Newport

Main site or place of performance

South Monmouthshire Sites

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II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

28 June 2024

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

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

For those interested in finding out further information regarding this procurement exercise, a meet the buyer event is being held at Dingestow Village Hall at 1pm on Monday 24th June. You will have the opportunity to hear from Council representatives and seek clarification on any queries you may have. Those wishing to attend need to book their place here:

https://forms.office.com/pages/responsepage.aspx?id=eQBNLCzFs0uzytjq8ba31RuWMuwlRvVBvhPONjqGr_9UQUE0UEpVWTFUVIQ2WIZUTE5TSzQ4TTYwMy4u

The Council invites the market place to inform the Authorities' procurement process and to this end would welcome any written submissions (not exceeding 4 sides of A4 paper) from potential suppliers indicating:

- i. Their likely interest in bidding for such a procurement and details of any similar

arrangements delivered elsewhere showing relevant examples of where they have carried out the above-mentioned points.

ii. Proposals and recommendations on the structure of the procurement, and observations around the proposed lotting structure

iii. Observations of any proposed duration of contract

iv. Any other factors considered relevant or suggestions on how your organisation could add value to for the above procurement in regard to the potential requirements.

v. Any other factors considered relevant.

This Prior Information Notice serves to alert the marketplace to this opportunity and enable the Council to use any gathered information to shape the proposed procurement. The Council invites interested prospective contractors to lodge an initial expression of interest for this opportunity electronically via Proactis

<https://supplierlive.proactisp2p.com/Account/Login>.

PLEASE NOTE all submissions must be submitted before 12:00 noon on 12th July 2024. Following consideration of the expressions of interest the Council may wish to engage in further discussions with the respondents that submit a proposal. All responses received will be considered confidential and dependent on the level of such initial interest the Council may undertake some soft market testing and preliminary discussions with potential providers which may also further help to inform the subsequent Invitation to Tender documentation that will need to be produced. Participating in this exercise will not guarantee short-listing at a later stage in the procurement, and the Council reserves the right not to proceed with the procurement process. The Council will not meet any costs incurred by any party in responding to this notice. This PIN does not constitute a commitment by the Council to undertake a procurement exercise in the future. For upcoming tender opportunities, please register with Monmouthshire County Council's electronic tendering website Proactis.

NOTE: To register your interest in this notice and obtain any additional information please visit the Sell2Wales Web Site at

https://www.sell2wales.gov.wales/Search/Search_Switch.aspx?ID=142197.

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