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Awarded contract

## **C0203 Ground Preparation and Mechanised Establishment Operations**

Forestry and Land Scotland

F03: Contract award notice

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

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

Forestry and Land Scotland

Great Glen House, Leachkin Road

Inverness

IV3 8NW

#### **Email**

[procurement@forestryandland.gov.scot](mailto:procurement@forestryandland.gov.scot)

#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **NUTS code**

UKM - Scotland

## **Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://forestryandland.gov.scot/>

Buyer's address

[https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search\\_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA30371](https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA30371)

## **I.4) Type of the contracting authority**

Body governed by public law

## **I.5) Main activity**

Environment

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## **Section II: Object**

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

#### **II.1.1) Title**

C0203 Ground Preparation and Mechanised Establishment Operations

Reference number

C0203

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

- 77300000 - Horticultural services

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

Services

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

Forestry & Land Scotland (FLS) undertakes ground preparation on Scotland's National Forest and Land (SNFL) to establish new tree crops, maintaining the volume of timber brought to market and enabling woodland creation.

The aim of this contract is to provide ground preparation and mechanised establishment and tending services to a high quality, in a safe, sustainable and cost effective manner.

FLS also deliver a programme of Peatland restoration services. Small elements of peatland works on areas that are parts of coupes may be required over the contract term. Peatlands are found in both the lowlands and the uplands. The size and location of peatland varies according to geology, terrain and climate.

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

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

### **II.1.7) Total value of the procurement (excluding VAT)**

Value excluding VAT: £9,092,005.99

## **II.2) Description**

### **II.2.1) Title**

Lot 9: Scottish Borders and East Dumfries & Galloway

Lot No

9

### **II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 77000000 - Agricultural, forestry, horticultural, aquacultural and apicultural services
- 77200000 - Forestry services

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

NUTS codes

- UKM - Scotland

Main site or place of performance

Region: South

Sub region: East

Lot Description: Scottish Borders and East Dumfries & Galloway

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

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Region: South

Sub region: East

Lot Description: Scottish Borders and East Dumfries & Galloway

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

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 40

Cost criterion - Name: Cost / Weighting: 60

#### **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

### **II.2) Description**

### **II.2.1) Title**

Lot 10: Dumfries & Galloway, Ayrshire and Arran

Lot No

10

### **II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 77000000 - Agricultural, forestry, horticultural, aquacultural and apicultural services
- 77200000 - Forestry services

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

NUTS codes

- UKM - Scotland

Main site or place of performance

Region: South

Sub region: Central

Lot Description: Dumfries & Galloway, Ayrshire and Arran

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

Forestry & Land Scotland (FLS) undertakes ground preparation on Scotland's National Forest and Land (SNFL) to establish new tree crops, maintaining the volume of timber brought to market and enabling woodland creation.

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Region: South

Sub region: Central

Lot Description: Dumfries & Galloway, Ayrshire and Arran

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

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 40

Cost criterion - Name: Cost / Weighting: 60

## **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

## **II.2) Description**

### **II.2.1) Title**

Lot 11: West Dumfries & Galloway

Lot No

11

### **II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 77000000 - Agricultural, forestry, horticultural, aquacultural and apicultural services
- 77200000 - Forestry services

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

NUTS codes

- UKM - Scotland

Main site or place of performance

Region: South

Sub region: West

Lot Description: West Dumfries & Galloway

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

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Region: South

Sub region: West

Lot Description: West Dumfries & Galloway

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

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 40

Cost criterion - Name: Cost / Weighting: 60

#### **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**

Open procedure

#### **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.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure**

Notice number: [2021/S 000-032231](#)

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## **Section V. Award of contract**

### **Lot No**

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### **Title**

Lot 10: Dumfries & Galloway, Ayrshire and Arran

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

### **V.2) Award of contract**

#### **V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract**

19 June 2022

#### **V.2.2) Information about tenders**

Number of tenders received: 3

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 3



Number of tenders received from tenderers from other EU Member States: 0

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 3

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 3

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

### **V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor**

Molplant Construction Ltd

Downsway Industrial Estate, Tinwald Downs Road

Dumfries

DG1 3RS

Telephone

+44 1387253030

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKM92 - Dumfries & Galloway

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £3,030,668.66

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## **Section V. Award of contract**

### **Lot No**

11

### **Title**

Lot 11: West Dumfries & Galloway

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

### **V.2) Award of contract**

#### **V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract**

23 June 2022

#### **V.2.2) Information about tenders**

Number of tenders received: 6

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 6

Number of tenders received from tenderers from other EU Member States: 0

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 6

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 6

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

#### **V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor**

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The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £3,030,668.66

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## **Section V. Award of contract**

### **Lot No**

9

### **Title**

Lot 9: Scottish Borders and East Dumfries & Galloway

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

### **V.2) Award of contract**

#### **V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract**

23 June 2022

#### **V.2.2) Information about tenders**

Number of tenders received: 6

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 6

Number of tenders received from tenderers from other EU Member States: 0

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 6

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 6

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

### **V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor**

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Total value of the contract/lot: £3,030,668.66

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

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

FLS may modify the contract, irrespective of the monetary value of those modifications, within the scope permitted under Regulation 72 (1) of The Public Contracts (Scotland) Regulations 2015, should Operational reasons require it. Actual requirements can vary due to changes in:

Changes to Operational programmes due to:

identification of a protected species on site e.g. eagle nesting;

budget availability increasing or decreasing ground preparation requirements;

plant health implications resulting in an increase in felling operations which may prompt the requirement for additional ground preparation services;

Site availability;

Requirements to increase or decrease fallow periods;

Changes to Renewables Projects - planning permission for some Projects may not come to fruition – this would result in additional land bank that may require ground preparation services;

Policy Changes - The current drive from Scottish Government to reduce the organisation's land bank across the National Forest Estate may result in additional ground preparation work being required;

Developing climate change emergency initiatives to increase carbon capture opportunities such as developing innovative procedures and methods to deliver ground preparation services in a way that reduces the impact on the environment.

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

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

The Inverness Justice Centre

Longman Road

Inverness

IV1 1AH

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[inverness@scotcourts.gov.uk](mailto:inverness@scotcourts.gov.uk)

Telephone

+44 1463230782

Country

United Kingdom

### **VI.4.3) Review procedure**

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

An economic operator that suffers, or is at risk of suffering, loss or damage attributable to a breach of duty under the Public Contracts (Scotland) Regulations 2015 or the Procurement Reform (Scotland) Act 2014 , may bring proceedings in the Sheriff Court or the Court of Session.

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Parliament House

Parliament Square

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