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Tender

T2510 - Provision of Catering Services at Belfast Zoo

Belfast City Council

F01: Prior information notice

Call for competition

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

Belfast City Council

9-21 Adelaide Street

Belfast

BT2 8DJ

Email

cps@belfastcity.gov.uk

Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UKN06 - Belfast

Internet address(es)

Main address

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

Buyer's address

<https://e-sourcingni.bravosolution.co.uk/web/login.shtml>

I.3) Communication

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

<https://e-sourcingni.bravosolution.co.uk/web/login.shtml>

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted to the above-mentioned address

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Regional or local authority

I.5) Main activity

Other activity

café restaurant and events catering at Belfast Zoo

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

T2510 - Provision of Catering Services at Belfast Zoo

Reference number

T2510

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 55300000 - Restaurant and food-serving services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Belfast City Council require a Contractor for the provision of catering services at Belfast Zoo including the operation of the Zoo Café, the Tree Top Tearooms, the provision and operation of an additional unit at a central location within the zoo and the provision of events catering at the zoo.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £2,500,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 55520000 - Catering services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKN06 - Belfast

Main site or place of performance

Belfast Zoo, Antrim Road, Belfast, BT367PN

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Belfast Zoo is one of the city's oldest and best-loved attractions, celebrating 90 years in 2024. It is situated on the side of Cave Hill, with panoramic views across Belfast Lough. The Zoo Café offers indoor seated dining for up to 87 in the main restaurant and an additional 39 in the annex 'Party Room'. Generous outdoor seating is surrounded by mature trees with views of Belfast Lough. The Treetop Tearooms, the smaller of the premises is situated at the top of the zoo, with panoramic views of Belfast Lough and towards the top of Cave Hill. It can provide indoor seating for 25, with ample outside seating for 80 and a large picnic area close by. The current additional catering unit (not provided by the Council) is a large kiosk offering hot drinks, ice cream and confectionary. It is located close to the playpark and lake and uses three-phase electric power.

II.2.5) Award criteria

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

II.2.6) Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: £2,500,000

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

Duration in months

36

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

The contract period is for a 3 year period (36 months) with an option to renew for a further 2 years. It is anticipated that the contract will include a 12 month break clause.

Belfast City Council reserve the right to extend this contract period if the economic operator can present a valid case to do so e.g. to allow for a return of

investment on a capital investment proposal regarding the venues

II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

Section III. Legal, economic, financial and technical information

III.1) Conditions for participation

III.1.2) Economic and financial standing

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

III.1.3) Technical and professional ability

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Competitive procedure with negotiation

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 expressions of interest

Date

29 July 2024

Local time

12:00pm

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

English

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

This procurement is being let under the Concession Contracts Regulations 2016 'CCR 2016' and the services in scope are listed under Schedule 3 of the CCR 2016, therefore associated procurement procedures apply as allowed for under these scope of services i.e. light touch regime.

Economic Operators are asked to email their initial Expression of Interest to cps@belfastcity.gov.uk before 12 noon on 29th July 2024.

Following the closing date and time it is anticipated that all those who have expressed an interest will take part in supplier engagement, for example a site visit, survey and discussion, followed by a tender process.

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Royal Courts of Justice

Belfast

Country

United Kingdom