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Opportunity

# ESPH CN Wealden Employment Park Development - Knights Farm West (ESPH539)

Wealden District Council

F02: Contract notice

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# **Section I: Contracting authority**

#### I.1) Name and addresses

Wealden District Council

Council Offices, Vicarage Lane

Hailsham

**BN272AX** 

#### Contact

Cathy Nelson

#### **Email**

esph@wealden.gov.uk

#### Country

**United Kingdom** 

#### **NUTS** code

UKJ22 - East Sussex CC

#### Internet address(es)

Main address

http://www.wealden.gov.uk

Buyer's address

https://www.sesharedservices.org.uk/esourcing/

# I.3) Communication

The procurement documents are available for unrestricted and full direct access, free of charge, at

https://www.sesharedservices.org.uk/esourcing/

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

https://www.sesharedservices.org.uk/esourcing/

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

General public services

# **Section II: Object**

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

#### II.1.1) Title

ESPH CN Wealden Employment Park Development - Knights Farm West (ESPH539)

Reference number

WDC - 034812

#### II.1.2) Main CPV code

• 45000000 - Construction work

#### II.1.3) Type of contract

Works

#### II.1.4) Short description

Wealden District Council are bringing to the market a significant employment development opportunity and are seeking a development partner to work with the Authority to bring forward the Site in its entirety and deliver a high quality scheme to deliver much needed employment land along the A22 corridor, attract new business to the area and accommodate local growth. The whole of the Site is in the Authority's freehold ownership and extends to approximately 17.3ha (42.7 acres). The Authority is looking to appoint a development partner who is committed to working with the Authority in a true partnership style to design and deliver a viable and attractive proposal. The Authority expects this scheme to achieve a balanced delivery of a number of objectives around employment use, sustainability and quality design. The whole of the Site currently comprises farmland with some buildings.

#### II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £128,000,000

#### II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

## II.2) Description

#### II.2.3) Place of performance

**NUTS** codes

• UKJ22 - East Sussex CC

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

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## 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: £128,000,000

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

**Duration in months** 

120

This contract is subject to renewal

No

#### II.2.9) Information about the limits on the number of candidates to be invited

Maximum number: 5

#### II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: No

#### 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

# 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.1.5) Information about negotiation

The contracting authority reserves the right to award the contract on the basis of the initial tenders without conducting negotiations

#### 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 tenders or requests to participate

Date

25 August 2022

Local time

5:00pm

# IV.2.3) Estimated date of dispatch of invitations to tender or to participate to selected candidates

12 September 2022

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

English

# Section VI. Complementary information

# VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: No

## VI.2) Information about electronic workflows

Electronic ordering will be used

Electronic invoicing will be accepted

Electronic payment will be used

#### VI.4) Procedures for review

#### VI.4.1) Review body

High Court of England and Wales

The Strand

London

WC2A 2LL

Country

**United Kingdom** 

#### VI.4.3) Review procedure

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

Wealden District Council will observe a standstill period following the award of the contract and conduct itself in respect of any appeals in accordance with the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 (as amended).

# VI.4.4) Service from which information about the review procedure may be obtained

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