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Future opportunity

Household Waste Recycling Centres

Ansa Environmental Services Ltd

F01: Prior information notice

Prior information only

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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Main address

https://procontract.due-north.com/

Buyer's address

https://procontract.due-north.com/

I.3) Communication

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

https://procontract.due-north.com/

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

I.5) Main activity

Environment

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Household Waste Recycling Centres

Reference number

DN564982

II.1.2) Main CPV code

• 90511000 - Refuse collection services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Ansa Environmental Services Ltd (Ansa) is wholly owned company of Cheshire East Council (the Council) responsible for providing the Council's waste services, including provision of Household Waste Recycling Centres (HWRCs).

There are seven geographically dispersed HWRCs across the Cheshire East region providing residents with a wide range of material disposal and recycling outlets.

It is Ansa's intention to improve the scope of services currently offered at HWRCs. The purpose of this Prior Information Notice (PIN) is to engage with established waste industry providers via a Soft Market Testing Questionnaire as part of soft market testing to understand how service provision can be improved, the viability of specific service enhancements and the optimum contracting model to provide value to the residents of Cheshire East.

In May 2019 the Council declared a climate emergency and set out a commitment to be carbon neutral by 2025. In view of this, all council operations are under pressure to reduce their carbon impact. Part of this soft market testing exercise will seek solutions which are carbon sensitive and actively help lower carbon emissions.

The Council have a robust Municipal Waste Management Strategy which is available at https://www.cheshireeast.gov.uk/waste and recycling/waste-strategy-and-

<u>performance/waste-strategy-and-performance.aspx</u> and sets out the Council's key waste and recycling objectives. Any future HWRC service provision will incorporate desirable service outcomes aligned to the waste strategy. Further information regarding these desirable service outcomes can be found within the Soft Market Testing Questionnaire.

Any contract arising from a procurement process will be required to be fully mobilised for a service commencement date of 1 April 2023.

Information gathered through this soft market testing exercise may inform internal business planning and any possible subsequent procurement process and will not be appraised in any future tender evaluation exercise. Interested parties are asked to complete the soft market testing questionnaire, which is available at https://procontract.due-north.com/. Completed questionnaires should be submitted via Due North's Messaging function. The deadline for submitted questionnaires is 12.00 noon on 10 September 2021.

The questionnaire is intended as an awareness, communication, and information gathering exercise. By participating in this process, the Supplier is not formally expressing an interest and there is no commitment to participate in subsequent procurement processes nor does it infer any preferential or special status on Suppliers who participate in this process.

All questions relating to this PIN must be channelled through the Proactis Pro Contract Message function. Any technical assistance relating to the Proactis Pro Contract portal can be obtained via the Proactis Pro Contract technical help pages at https://procontract.due-north.com/Procurer/ProcurerHelp.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £24,000,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

• UKD62 - Cheshire East

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II.2.6) Estimated value

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II.2.14) Additional information

Interested parties are required to register an interest via the Proactis Pro Contract procurement portal (https://procontract.due-north.com/).

The Soft Market Testing Questionnaire has been uploaded to the Pro Contract portal and interested parties should submit completed questionnaires via the Message function by 12.00 noon on 10 September 2021.

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II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

11 October 2021

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

This Prior Information Notice is not a call for competition and no contract(s) will be awarded at this stage. A Contract Notice advertising the procurement may be placed in due course.

Ansa reserves the right not to proceed with the planned public procurement exercise.

Interested parties should note that they are responsible for their own costs in participating in this pre-market engagement exercise and Ansa shall in no event, be responsible for any costs of any party.