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## **Christmas Lights Switch on Events**

South Lanarkshire Council

F02: Contract notice

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

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

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United Kingdom

## **NUTS code**

UKM95 - South Lanarkshire

## **Internet address(es)**

Main address

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

Buyer's address

[https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search\\_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA00410](https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA00410)

## **I.3) Communication**

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

<https://www.publictendersscotland.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

<https://www.publictendersscotland.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk>

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

Regional or local authority

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

General public services

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## **Section II: Object**

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

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

Christmas Lights Switch on Events

Reference number

SLC/CE/24/036

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

- 79952000 - Event services

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

Services

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

The Council's Community & Enterprise Resources, Enterprise and Sustainable Development Services require to establish a Contract to provide Christmas Light Switch On Events within the geographical area of South Lanarkshire which includes event packages and event management service for Christmas Lights Switch On Events in the following locations:

- Carluke, Lanark, Hamilton, Rutherglen and Cambuslang.

The form of contract is South Lanarkshire Council Terms and Conditions of Contract for Services.

The requirement for the services will be subject to ongoing budget review and all future events will be subject to funding confirmation by the Council on an annual basis.

The contract period is August 2024 to January 2028 with option to extend by up to 24 months subject to satisfactory performance, financial

standing and availability of funding.

#### **II.1.5) Estimated total value**

Value excluding VAT: £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)**

- 79952000 - Event services

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

NUTS codes

- UKM95 - South Lanarkshire

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

The contract will be awarded via Open Procedure on the basis of the most economically advantageous tender received.

The quality (technical) weighting for this tender will be set at 60% and the price (commercial) weighting will be set at 40%.

The contract will be procured via Open Procedure and the ITT will be published in Public Contracts Scotland Tender (PCS-T).

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

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 60

Price - Weighting: 40

### **II.2.6) Estimated value**

Value excluding VAT: £500,000

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

Start date

26 August 2024

End date

23 August 2027

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

option to extend by up to 24 months subject to satisfactory performance, financial standing and availability of funding

### **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

### **II.2.14) Additional information**

The requirement for the services will be subject to ongoing review and all future events will be subject to funding confirmation by the

Council.

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## **Section III. Legal, economic, financial and technical information**

### **III.1) Conditions for participation**

**III.1.1) Suitability to pursue the professional activity, including requirements relating to enrolment on professional or trade registers**

## List and brief description of conditions

Economic operators may be excluded from this competition if they are in any of the situations referred to in regulation 8 and 9 of the Procurement (Scotland) Regulations 2016.

SPD Questions 3A and 3C have been identified as mandatory exclusion grounds and SPD Questions 3B and 3D have been identified as discretionary exclusion grounds. All the exclusion grounds will be dealt with on a PASS/FAIL basis. In respect of the mandatory exclusion grounds a bid will be excluded where a bidder fails to provide either a positive response or to provide details to the satisfaction of the Council of the self cleansing measures undertaken. In respect of the discretionary exclusion grounds a bid may be excluded where a bidder fails to provide either a positive response or if the Council is not satisfied as to the self cleansing measures undertaken.

### SPD Question 4A.1 Trade Registers

It is a requirement of this tender that if the bidder is UK based they must hold a valid registration with Companies House. Where the bidder is UK based but not registered at Companies House they must be able to verify to the Councils satisfaction that they are trading from the

address provided in the tender and under the company name given.

If the bidder is based out-with the UK they must be enrolled in the relevant professional or trade register appropriate to their country as described in Schedule 5 of the Public Contracts (Scotland) Regulations 2015.

### **III.1.2) Economic and financial standing**

Minimum level(s) of standards possibly required

#### SPD Question 4B.4 Economic and Financial Standing

The Council will use the following ratios to evaluate a bidders financial status:

Profitability – this is taken as profit after tax but before dividends and minority interests. If a company makes a profit then it is a pass for

this ratio;

Liquidity – this is calculated as current assets less stock and work in progress, divided by current liabilities. If the answer is greater than or

equal to one then it is a pass for this ratio

Gearing – this is calculated as the total external secured borrowing (short term and long term) divided by shareholder funds expressed as a

percentage. If the answer is less than or equal to 100% it is considered a pass for this ratio.

Bidders must provide the name and value of each of the 3 ratios within their response to SPD question 4B.4.

The Council requires bidders to pass 2 out of the 3 financial ratios above.

Where 2 out of the 3 ratios cannot be met, the Council may take the undernoted into consideration when assessing financial viability and the risk to the Council, providing that the Bidder can supply evidence to substantiate any of the mitigating criteria when requested to do so.

The following list is not exhaustive and other criteria may be considered where proposed by a bidder as mitigating factors:

Would the bidder have passed the checks if prior year accounts had been used?

Were any of the poor appraisal outcomes "marginal"?

Does the bidder operate in a market which, traditionally, requires lower liquidity or higher debt finance?

Does the bidder have sufficient reserves to sustain losses for a number of years?

Does the bidder have a healthy cashflow?

Is the bidder profitable enough to finance the interest on its debt?

Is most of the bidder's debt owed to group companies?

Is the bidder's debt due to be repaid over a number of years, and affordable?

Have the bidder's results been adversely affected by "one off costs" and / or "one off accounting treatments"?

Do the bidder's auditors (where applicable) consider it to be a "going concern"?

Will the bidder provide a Parent Company Guarantee?

Is the bidder the single supplier/source of the Goods/Works/Services in the marketplace?

The Council will request submission of and assess the bidders financial accounts, and may use financial verification systems to validate the

information provided.

#### SPD Question 4B.5 Insurance

The bidder must confirm that they have or will commit to obtain prior to the commencement of the contract, the following levels of Insurance Cover:

Employer's Liability Insurance covering the death of or bodily injuries to employees of the bidder arising out of and in the course of their employment in connection with this contract to the level of 10000000 GBP in respect of each claim, without limit to the number of claims.

Public Liability Insurance covering the death of or bodily injury to a person (not an employee of the bidder) or loss of or damage to property resulting from an action or failure to take action by the bidder to the level of 5000000 GBP in respect of each claim, without limit to the number of claims.

Professional Indemnity Insurance covering the failure of the bidder to use the skill and care normally used by professionals providing the services described in this tender to the level of 5000000 GBP in respect of each claim, without limit to the number of claims.

### **III.1.3) Technical and professional ability**

Minimum level(s) of standards possibly required

#### SPD Question 4C.1.2 Technical and Professional Ability

Bidders should demonstrate in their response to question 4C.1.2 that they have held contracts of a similar nature, size and value to those mentioned in the Specification, within the last 3 years. A Minimum of 3 examples and a maximum of 5 should be provided.

#### SPD Question 4C.10 Technical and Professional Ability (Sub-Contracting)

Bidders will be required to confirm whether they intend to subcontract and, if so, for what proportion of the contract.

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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.2.2) Time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate**

Date

9 August 2024

Local time

12:00pm

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

English

##### **IV.2.6) Minimum time frame during which the tenderer must maintain the tender**

Tender must be valid until: 5 February 2025

##### **IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders**

Date

9 August 2024

Local time

12:00pm

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.1) Information about recurrence**

This is a recurrent procurement: No

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

### Declarations and Certificates

In an open tendering procedure prior to any award being made the successful bidder will provide the undernoted certificates, declarations and/or completed questionnaires to evidence their compliance with the relevant questions within the Qualification Envelope.

All certificates, declarations and questionnaires can be found within the Attachment area of PCS-T.

SPD Question 2D.1 Prompt Payment Certificate

SPD Questions 3A.1 to 3A.8 Serious and Organised Crime Declaration

Declaration Section \*Form of Tender

SPD Question 3D.11 Non-Collusion Certificate

SPD Question 4B.5.1 Insurance Certificates

Declaration Section \*Health and Safety Questionnaire

\*The 'Form of Offer to Tender' must be completed and uploaded within the relevant question in the Commercial Envelope.

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In the case of an open tender, the other Declarations listed above will not be required to be uploaded and submitted with the bid, but will instead be requested by the Council following the conclusion of the evaluation of the Qualification, Technical and Commercial Envelopes and prior to the award of the tender.

Failure to provide this information or in the event that the information provided does not support or evidence the statements made within the SPD will invalidate the bid. In this scenario the Council will seek to obtain the relevant information and evidence from the second highest scoring bidder and so on until a fully compliant bidder is identified.

SPD Question 2.D.1 Subcontractors on whose capacity the bidder does not rely.

The buyer is using PCS-Tender to conduct this ITT exercise. The Project code is 27026. For more information see:

<http://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/info/InfoCentre.aspx?ID=2343>

Community benefits are included in this requirement. For more information see:

<https://www.gov.scot/policies/public-sector-procurement/community-benefits-in-procurement/>

A summary of the expected community benefits has been provided as follows:

Under this contract bidders will be required to actively participate in the achievement of Community Benefits. A summary of the expected

Community Benefits has been provided within the attachment area/technical envelope and bidders will be asked to provide details of the Community Benefits they can offer as part of their bid. The Council has calculated that the minimum total of 80 community benefit points

which must be delivered under this contract based on the full duration of the contract.

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

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

Hamilton Sheriff Court

Sheriff Court House, 4 Beckford Street

Hamilton

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Country

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