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Planning

Berwick Maltings Theatre Main Contractor

Northumberland County Council

F01: Prior information notice

Prior information only

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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Buyer's address

https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA30547

I.2) Information about joint procurement

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

I.3) Communication

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Regional or local authority

I.5) Main activity

Recreation, culture and religion

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Berwick Maltings Theatre Main Contractor

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 45000000 - Construction work

II.1.3) Type of contract

Works

II.1.4) Short description

Northumberland County Council (NCC) is looking to conduct a procurement exercise to appoint a main contractor to carry out the works at The Berwick Maltings Theatre.

To support this, we would like to gain information from the market regarding a number of issues related to the potential procurement exercise.

All responses are to be provided by completing the Market Engagement Questionnaire and uploading your response via the NEPO Portal by 30th August 2024.

www.nepo.org reference DN683373

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £14,500,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

Main site or place of performance

Berwick Upon Tweed

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The Maltings current Eastern Lane venue is no longer fit for purpose and the Maltings (Berwick) Trust has worked in partnership with Northumberland County Council to secure Borderlands Inclusive Growth Deal funding to deliver a 21st century venue on the existing site that transforms the customer experience, hosts a significantly enhanced programme, and acts as a major catalyst for the year-round regeneration of Berwick-upon-Tweed.

The existing Maltings venue is ageing, no longer fit for purpose, fails to exploit its unique river-view location, and presents ever-increasing operational challenges – e.g., tired furnishing and décor, lack of soundproofing which prevents simultaneous programming, inaccessible areas for audiences and artists with disabilities, seating and facilities which fall far short of modern audience expectations, antiquated heating, wiring and ventilation. An independent scoping and feasibility study has clearly established the preferred approach - delivering a 21st century venue (the New Maltings) on the existing site that transforms both the customer experience and business model and acts as a major catalyst for the regeneration of Berwick-upon-Tweed.

Following completion of various design options over recent months, it has been decided the funding will be prioritised within the existing building and limiting the amount of new build. A multi- disciplinary design team are currently appointed and have recently completed the Stage 2 design.

II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

31 January 2025

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: No

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

THIS MARKET TESTING EXERCISE IS SCHEDULED TO END: 30 August 2024 12:00 Noon.

SHOULD YOU WISH TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS EXERCISE PLEASE ENSURE THAT YOUR RESPONSE IS UPLOADED TO THE NEPO PORTAL BY THIS DATE AND TIME- www.nepo.org reference number DN683373.

Contact Details

The Procurement Officer for this Market Testing exercise is Kerry Davidson.

Please note that any queries regarding the questionnaire should be raised via the NEPO Portal only.

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