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Tender

Underwater Bridge Inspections Term Contract

Cumbria County Council

F02: Contract notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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Main address

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

Buyer's address

<https://cumbria.gov.uk/scprocurement/default.asp>

I.3) Communication

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

<https://www.the-chest.org.uk/>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

<https://www.the-chest.org.uk/>

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

Underwater Bridge Inspections Term Contract

Reference number

DN573505

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 71000000 - Architectural, construction, engineering and inspection services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

This term contract is for underwater bridge inspections for bridges and structures across Cumbria. The contract will comprise of an annual programme of inspections for each year of the term contract. Inspections are both planned in advance and required at the discretion of the Term Contract Service Manager.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £360,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 71351924 - Underwater exploration services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKD1 - Cumbria

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

As part of its capital works programme the Council carries out inspections and reactive maintenance and repairs to its structures where defects occur or are identified that if left unattended could result in structural collapse and risk to the public.

Following a programme of Level 2 Scour Assessments across the County on the higher priority routes, a number of bridges have been identified with a Scour Risk Rating of either 1 or 2 (highest or second highest theoretical risk rating). These require regular inspections for scour damage either until foundation depths and founding material have been proven or until scour protection measures have been provided.

In addition, some other bridges have been included at the specific request of the Bridge Inspection Team and these require inspections at periodic intervals generally less frequent than annual inspections.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 60

Price - Weighting: 40

II.2.6) Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: £360,000

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

Duration in months

72

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

The Council proposes to enter into the Contract for a maximum period of 6 years (4 year initial term with two possible extensions of up to 1 year each) with the successful tenderer (Service Provider).

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

“This Term Contract Agreement for underwater bridge inspections is for use by the following Contracting Authorities that exist on 1st December 2021 and any successor council(s) as defined in The Local Government (Structural Changes) (Transfer of Functions, Property, Rights and Liabilities) Regulations 2008 to the Contracting Authorities:

1. Cumbria County Council”

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

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

12 November 2021

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

Duration in months: 6 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)

IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders

Date

12 November 2021

Local time

12:00pm

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: No

VI.3) Additional information

Suppliers wishing to express an interest and obtain access to the tender documents should go to www.the-chest.org.uk and click on current opportunities from the navigation area on the left of the screen. On the next screen enter the contract Reference (DN573505) in the box labelled 'contains' then click search. Click on the Blue link for the contract title to view the opportunity. To express an interest you will need to login. If you are not already registered on the www.the-chest.org.uk you will need to return to the home page and click on Register. Register FREE link in the navigation area on the left of the screen. Registration is free of charge and your username and password will be emailed to you.

Cumbria County Council is fully supportive of all aspects of diversity including ethnicity, race, religion, age, disability and sexual orientation. In this respect Cumbria County Council welcomes expressions of interest from ethnic minority, disabled and other diverse business communities and the voluntary sector. Economic operators are therefore required to fully comply with all statutory obligations/applicable legislation and there will be a requirement to participate in the Authority's supplier audits on all aspects of diversity.

The Contracting Authority expressly reserves the right:

- (i) not to award any contract as a result of the procurement process commenced by publication of this notice; and
- (ii) to make whatever changes it may see fit to the content and structure of the tendering competition; and in no circumstances will the Contracting Authority be liable for any costs incurred by the candidates. Any expenditure, work or effort undertaken prior to contract award is accordingly a matter solely for the commercial judgement of potential suppliers. The contracting authority reserve the right to use any electronic portal during the life of the agreement.

The value provided in Section II.1.5 is only an estimate.

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

High Court of England

London

Country

United Kingdom

Internet address

<https://cumbria.gov.uk/>