

This is a published notice on the Find a Tender service: <https://www.find-tender.service.gov.uk/Notice/025444-2023>

Contract

Lease of vehicles for East Suffolk Services Limited

EAST SUFFOLK SERVICES LIMITED

F03: Contract award notice

Notice identifier: 2023/S 000-025444

Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-03f7f9

Published 30 August 2023, 12:44pm

Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

EAST SUFFOLK SERVICES LIMITED

Station Road, Melton

WOODBIDGE

IP121RT

Contact

Lynsey Hall

Email

lynsey.hall@eastsoffolk.gov.uk

Telephone

+44 1502523669

Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UKH14 - Suffolk

Companies House

14001825

Internet address(es)

Main address

<https://www.eastsuffolkservices.co.uk/>

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Other type

Local Authority Trading Company (LATCO)

I.5) Main activity

General public services

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Lease of vehicles for East Suffolk Services Limited

Reference number

2318-PPT-DA

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 34100000 - Motor vehicles

II.1.3) Type of contract

Supplies

II.1.4) Short description

This is a contract award notice only.

Lease of vehicles for use by East Suffolk Services Limited.

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.1.7) Total value of the procurement (excluding VAT)

Value excluding VAT: £254,210.94

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKH1 - East Anglia

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

This is a contract award notice only.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Price

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: No

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Award of a contract without prior publication of a call for competition in the cases listed below

- Extreme urgency brought about by events unforeseeable for the contracting authority

Explanation:

East Suffolk Services Limited (ESSL) considers the award of the Contract without prior publication of a contract notice is permitted by Regulation 32(2)(b)(ii) of the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 (PCR) on the basis that due to the bespoke nature of vehicles within the fleet to be procured that due to technical reasons, there was no reasonable alternative supplier who could provide the vehicles within the timescales for the provision of vital services to the residents and businesses of East Suffolk.

Further, the Authority relies on Regulation 32(2)(c) in that it was not foreseen that ESSL would be required to enter into lease arrangements to ensure the continuity of delivery of the public services. Exit from the Lease Agreements has brought about conditions of extreme urgency as there was insufficient time to comply with the relevant time limits to carry out a procurement exercise, taking into account vehicle acquisition lead-in times and to enable successful tenderers to mobilise in time for service commencement on 1 July 2023. Therefore, the direct award was necessary to allow for the essential services to be provided by ESSL to the residents and businesses of East Suffolk from 1 July 2023.

ESSL also relies upon Regulation 32(5)(d) in that the supplier is winding up its business activities, the Lease Agreement that has been entered into between the supplier and ESSL has been negotiated on particularly advantageous terms than those now available on the open market and therefore, the negotiated procedure without prior publication has been used in this situation.

ESSL has already commenced the procurement exercise for the new vehicles using an approved framework and to replace the vehicles on an operating lease first. The six - month term of the lease Agreement has been agreed on the basis that the new vehicles can be in place as soon as possible to ensure compliance with the PCR 2015.

IV.1.8) Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

Section V. Award of contract

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

30 June 2023

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 1

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Norse Commercial Services Limited

Norwich

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKH1 - East Anglia

Companies House

02888808

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.4) Information on value of contract/lot (excluding VAT)

Total value of the contract/lot: £254,210.94

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

East Suffolk Council

Woodbridge

Country

United Kingdom