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Planning

National Nature Reserves (Natural England) x 9 Major Build Programme

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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I.3) Communication

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I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Ministry or any other national or federal authority

I.5) Main activity

Environment

Section II: Object**II.1) Scope of the procurement****II.1.1) Title**

National Nature Reserves (Natural England) x 9 Major Build Programme

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 45214000 - Construction work for buildings relating to education and research

II.1.3) Type of contract

Works

II.1.4) Short description

Natural England (NE) wish to upgrade nine of their National Nature Reserve (NNR) bases across England to improve their operational capability and allow them to connect more people with nature.

Nine independent projects are currently in varying stages of concept design. There are currently 5 new build schemes, 1 refurbishment scheme, and 3 with an element of both. These are located across England. The majority of the new build elements are based on a modular design, though two are likely to be traditional blockwork.

The intention of this PIN is to identify suitable main contractors who are interested in tendering for individual projects, packages of projects or all of the projects.

Please email Stuart.Walters@Defra.gov.uk for the PIN/Questionnaire. Responses to the questionnaire have a deadline of the 14th October 2022.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £20,000,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 43000000 - Machinery for mining, quarrying, construction equipment
- 43310000 - Civil engineering machinery
- 43320000 - Construction equipment
- 44000000 - Construction structures and materials; auxiliary products to construction (except electric apparatus)
- 45000000 - Construction work
- 45200000 - Works for complete or part construction and civil engineering work
- 45210000 - Building construction work
- 45211100 - Construction work for houses
- 45213000 - Construction work for commercial buildings, warehouses and industrial buildings, buildings relating to transport
- 45213200 - Construction work for warehouses and industrial buildings
- 45214000 - Construction work for buildings relating to education and research
- 45214300 - Construction work for college buildings

- 45262690 - Refurbishment of run-down buildings
- 45453000 - Overhaul and refurbishment work
- 45453100 - Refurbishment work

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

In broad terms, our requirement is focussed on construction firms primarily with expertise in sustainable buildings and associated works. (fit out, services, drainage, access tracks/roads, landscaping). All new buildings are aiming to achieve a BREEAM 'Excellent' rating, and all refurbishment schemes are aiming to achieve a BREEAM 'very good' rating.

Budget Construction values of each scheme is between £1-5m and it is intended that each project follow a traditional procurement route and let under an NEC4 ECC.

The delivery programme is currently under review but it is the intention to complete all nine projects 2023-2025, subject to planning and sufficient funds.

There are 9 single floor building projects being progressed at different locations (see table below). In general most are providing administrative space such as office, meeting room, classroom, with kitchenette and toilets. Some provide small bunk accommodation and some include operational space such as vehicle storage and workshop. Associated works include Fit out, services, drainage, access tracks/roads, landscaping. Operational activities will continue throughout construction.

1 Lindisfarne NNR Base - Northumberland (est 180sqm)

New building - small science and research facilities adjacent to existing operational building. Overnight accommodation. Close proximity to railway requires blockwork construction. Associated services, driveways, footways and landscaping.

2 Lower Derwent Valley NNR Base - North Yorkshire (est 220sqm)

New Building - Office environment closely located to existing building. Associated services, driveways, footways and landscaping.

3 Ingleborough NNR Base- North Yorkshire (est 100sqm)

Existing barn with second floor incorporating office environment, workshop and vehicle storage - full refurbishment to improve conditions, incorporate standard services and improve sustainability. Still in development.

4 Monyash NNR Base - Derbyshire (est 600sqm refurb unknown)

Two new buildings - one office environment, one operational including workshop and vehicle storage. Potentially some barn refurbishment. Still in development. Associated services, driveways, footways and landscaping.

5 Thursley NNR Base - Surrey (est 360sqm)

New building - office environment, workshop and vehicle storage. Associated services, driveways, footways and landscaping.

6 Martin Down NNR Base- Hampshire (est 120sqm. Refurb changes to doors and security)

New building - office environment. Existing barn upgrade with workshop and vehicle storage. Associated services, driveways, footways and landscaping. New sub-station required.

7 Parsonage Farm NNR Base- Wiltshire (est 220sqm, refurb 600sqm and new barn 300sqm)

New building - office environment. New hay barn. Existing buildings refurbishment including workshop and vehicle storage, meat & hygiene area, overnight accommodation. Building refurbishment This is a working farm. Associated services, driveways, footways and landscaping.

See additional information box for the last 2 projects:

II.2.14) Additional information

8 Yarner Wood NNR Base - Devon (est 100sqm)

New Building - Office environment and demolition of existing building. Associated services, driveways, footways and landscaping.

9 Lizard NNR Base - Cornwall (est 160sqm)

New building - office environment. Associated services, driveways, footways and landscaping.

II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

3 January 2023

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