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Contract

## **Helicopter and Pilot Services Framework**

Scottish Natural Heritage  
Forestry and Land Scotland  
Scottish Forestry  
Historic Environment Scotland  
National Trust for Scotland  
Scottish Fire and Rescue Service

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Main address

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[https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search\\_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA19543](https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA19543)

**I.2) Information about joint procurement**

The contract involves joint procurement

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

National or federal Agency/Office

**I.5) Main activity**

Environment

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**Section II: Object**

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

**II.1.1) Title**

Helicopter and Pilot Services Framework

Reference number

PP1321

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

- 60424120 - Hire of helicopters with crew

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

Services

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

We wish to put in place a framework agreement for the provision of helicopter and pilot services. Geographically, the framework will cover all of Scotland, including the islands (with potential for some future work to be carried out in Northern Ireland). The following collaborative partners will also be eligible to use the framework and will each conduct their own call-offs: National Trust for Scotland, Historic Environment Scotland, Scottish Forestry, Forestry and Land Scotland, Association of Deer Management Groups and Scottish Fire & Rescue Service.

### **II.1.6) Information about lots**

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

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

Value excluding VAT: £2,000,000

## **II.2) Description**

### **II.2.1) Title**

Surveillance operations

Lot No

1

### **II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 35612300 - Support helicopters
- 34711500 - Helicopters

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

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

Main site or place of performance

Scotland and Northern Ireland

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

Surveillance operations will cover the counting and reconnoitring of wildlife and cover visual surveillance and photography (hand held) of forests and woodlands

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

Quality criterion - Name: Skills and experience of personnel / Weighting: 30

Quality criterion - Name: Available resources / Weighting: 20

Quality criterion - Name: Communication / Weighting: 15

Quality criterion - Name: Training Systems / Weighting: 15

Quality criterion - Name: Carbon mitigation/off-setting / Weighting: 10

Quality criterion - Name: Sustainability, fair work practices & community benefits / Weighting: 10

Price - Weighting: 60

#### **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) Description**

#### **II.2.1) Title**

Wildlife Management Operations



Lot No

2

### **II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 35612300 - Support helicopters
- 34711500 - Helicopters

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

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

Main site or place of performance

Scotland and Northern Ireland

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

wildlife management operations will cover the transport of stalkers and the extraction of carcasses

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

Quality criterion - Name: Skills and experience of personnel / Weighting: 30

Quality criterion - Name: Available resources / Weighting: 20

Quality criterion - Name: Communication / Weighting: 15

Quality criterion - Name: Training Systems / Weighting: 15

Quality criterion - Name: Carbon mitigation/off-setting / Weighting: 10

Quality criterion - Name: Sustainability, fair work practices & community benefits / Weighting: 10

Price - Weighting: 60

### **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) Description**

### **II.2.1) Title**

Fire Fighting Operations

Lot No

3

### **II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 35612300 - Support helicopters
- 34711500 - Helicopters

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

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

Main site or place of performance

Scotland and Northern Ireland

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

Fire fighting operations will cover aerial support for fire fighting activities

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

Quality criterion - Name: Skills and experience of personnel / Weighting: 30

Quality criterion - Name: Available resources / Weighting: 20

Quality criterion - Name: Communication / Weighting: 15

Quality criterion - Name: Training Systems / Weighting: 15

Quality criterion - Name: Carbon mitigation/off-setting / Weighting: 10

Quality criterion - Name: Sustainability, fair work practices & community benefits /  
Weighting: 10

Price - Weighting: 60

#### **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) Description**

#### **II.2.1) Title**

Aerial Application of Fertiliser

Lot No

4

#### **II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 35612300 - Support helicopters
- 34711500 - Helicopters

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

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

Main site or place of performance

Scotland and Northern Ireland

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

Aerial application of fertiliser will cover aerial application of fertiliser, and possibly pesticides

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

Quality criterion - Name: Skills and experience of personnel / Weighting: 30

Quality criterion - Name: Available resources / Weighting: 20

Quality criterion - Name: Communication / Weighting: 15

Quality criterion - Name: Training Systems / Weighting: 15

Quality criterion - Name: Carbon mitigation/off-setting / Weighting: 10

Quality criterion - Name: Sustainability, fair work practices & community benefits / Weighting: 10

Price - Weighting: 60

### **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) Description**

### **II.2.1) Title**

Construction, Other Site Works & Staff Transport

Lot No

5

### **II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 35612300 - Support helicopters
- 34711500 - Helicopters

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

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

Main site or place of performance

Scotland and Northern Ireland

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

Construction, other site works & staff transport will cover construction/works projects and the transportation of staff, often to/from remote locations.

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

Quality criterion - Name: Skills and experience of personnel / Weighting: 30

Quality criterion - Name: Available resources / Weighting: 20

Quality criterion - Name: Communication / Weighting: 15

Quality criterion - Name: Training Systems / Weighting: 15

Quality criterion - Name: Carbon mitigation/off-setting / Weighting: 10

Quality criterion - Name: Sustainability, fair work practices & community benefits / Weighting: 10

Price - Weighting: 60

#### **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

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## **Section IV. Procedure**

### **IV.1) Description**

#### **IV.1.1) Type of procedure**

Open procedure

#### **IV.1.3) Information about a framework agreement or a dynamic purchasing system**

The procurement involves the establishment of a framework agreement

#### **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.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure**

Notice number: [2024/S 000-014869](#)

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## **Section V. Award of contract**

### **Lot No**

1

### **Title**

Surveillance operations

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

### **V.2) Award of contract**

#### **V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract**

12 July 2024

#### **V.2.2) Information about tenders**

Number of tenders received: 3

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 3

Number of tenders received from tenderers from other EU Member States: 0

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 3

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 3

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: Yes

#### **V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor**

PDG Helicopters

The Heliport, Dalcros Ind Est

Inverness

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NUTS code

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The contractor is an SME

Yes

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NUTS code

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The contractor is an SME

Yes

**V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor**



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Carlisle

CA6 4NW

Telephone

+44 7703042602

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKC21 - Northumberland

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £2,000,000

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## **Section V. Award of contract**

### **Lot No**

2

### **Title**

Wildlife Management Operations

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

### **V.2) Award of contract**

#### **V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract**

12 July 2024

#### **V.2.2) Information about tenders**

Number of tenders received: 3

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 3

Number of tenders received from tenderers from other EU Member States: 0

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 3

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 3

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: Yes

#### **V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor**

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The contractor is an SME

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Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKC21 - Northumberland

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £2,000,000

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## **Section V. Award of contract**

### **Lot No**

3

### **Title**

Fire Fighting Operations

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

### **V.2) Award of contract**

#### **V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract**

12 July 2024

#### **V.2.2) Information about tenders**

Number of tenders received: 3

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 3

Number of tenders received from tenderers from other EU Member States: 0

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 3

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 3

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: Yes

#### **V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor**

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The contractor is an SME

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Country

United Kingdom

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The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £2,000,000

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## **Section V. Award of contract**

### **Lot No**

4

### **Title**

Aerial Application of Fertiliser

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

### **V.2) Award of contract**

#### **V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract**

12 July 2024

#### **V.2.2) Information about tenders**

Number of tenders received: 1

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 1

Number of tenders received from tenderers from other EU Member States: 0

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 1

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 1

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

#### **V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor**

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Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £2,000,000

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### **Section V. Award of contract**

#### **Lot No**

5

#### **Title**

Construction, Other Site Works & Staff Transport

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

#### **V.2) Award of contract**

##### **V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract**

12 July 2024

##### **V.2.2) Information about tenders**

Number of tenders received: 3

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 3

Number of tenders received from tenderers from other EU Member States: 0

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 3

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 3

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: Yes

**V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor**

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The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £2,000,000

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

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

Please note the estimated value of 2,000,000 GBP is for the whole framework, including any possible extensions, and not the estimated value of individual lots.

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

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

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