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## **Main Contractor for Mixed Use Development at the Hub**

Dacorum Borough Council

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### **Section I: Contracting authority/entity**

#### **I.1) Name and addresses**

Dacorum Borough Council

The Forum, Marlowes

Hemel Hempstead

HP1 1DN

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#### **Country**

United Kingdom

**Region code**

UKH23 - Hertfordshire

**Dacorum Borough Council**

Not on any register

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

[www.dacorum.gov.uk](http://www.dacorum.gov.uk)

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

Regional or local authority

**I.5) Main activity**

General public services

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## **Section II: Object**

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

#### **II.1.1) Title**

Main Contractor for Mixed Use Development at the Hub

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

- 45000000 - Construction work

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

Works

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

The Council previously awarded a contract for a main contractor back in 2023 for the construction of a mixed use development. The main contractor who was awarded this contract was ARJ Construction Ltd.

The main contractor has subsequently entered administration part way through the development leaving the Council at risk of losing a significant part of the funding that it secured for this project.

Accordingly, in order to protect the continuity of the project and to protect the funding stream the Council is intending to contract directly with the next placed contractor from the tender, which is with Bugler Developments Ltd.

#### **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: £23,000,000

### **II.2) Description**

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

- 45000000 - Construction work

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

NUTS codes

- UKH23 - Hertfordshire

Main site or place of performance

Hemel Hempstead

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

Dacorum Borough Council are publishing this VEAT Notice to inform the market that we intend to enter in to a contract with Bugler Developments Ltd in relation to the construction of a mixed use development.

The Council awarded a contract for a main contractor for this contract back in 2023, however the main contractor (ARJ Construction Ltd) have entered administration part way through the development leaving the Council at risk of losing a significant part of the funding that it secured for this project.

Accordingly, in order to protect the continuity of the project and to protect the funding stream the Council is intending to contract directly with the next placed contractor from the tender, which is with Bugler Developments Ltd.

#### **II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: No

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## **Section IV. Procedure**

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

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

Negotiated without a prior call for competition

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

Explanation:

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

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

### **Title**

Construction of a mixed use development

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

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

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

20 August 2024

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

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

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

Bugler Developments Ltd

Bugler House, 25 High Street

Rickmansworth

WD3 1ET

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKH23 - Hertfordshire

Companies House

1577251

The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

No

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

Total value of the contract/lot/concession: £20,000,000

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

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

The decision to award this contract to Bugler Developments Ltd is being made to protect the continuity of the project and to mitigate the risk of losing the funding stream that the Council have managed to obtain.

Explanation:

This VEAT Notice is to inform the market of our intention to award this contract to Bugler Developments Ltd

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

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

High Court of England and Wales

High Court of England and Wales

London

WC2A 2LL

Country

United Kingdom