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## **Water and Flood Rescue Boat Operator and Instructor Pathway Training for Norfolk Fire and Rescue Service**

Norfolk County Council

F02: Contract notice

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### **Section I: Contracting authority**

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

Norfolk County Council

Martineau Lane

Norwich

, NR1 2DH

#### **Email**

[sourcingteam@norfolk.gov.uk](mailto:sourcingteam@norfolk.gov.uk)

#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **NUTS code**

UKH15 - Norwich and East Norfolk

#### **Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://www.norfolk.gov.uk/>

### **I.3) Communication**

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

<https://in-tendhost.co.uk/norfolkcc.aspx/Home>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

<https://in-tendhost.co.uk/norfolkcc.aspx/Home>

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### **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**

Water and Flood Rescue Boat Operator and Instructor Pathway Training for Norfolk Fire and Rescue Service

Reference number

NCCT42419

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

- 80500000 - Training services

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

Services

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

Water and Flood Rescue Boat Operator (WFRBO) Training and Water and Flood Rescue Technician (WFRT) Instructor Pathway Training

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

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

Tenders may be submitted for all lots

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

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

Water and Flood Rescue Boat Operator (WFRBO) Training

Lot No

1

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

- 80500000 - Training services

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

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

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

Norfolk Fire and Rescue Service (NFRS) currently declare 4 Water and Flood Rescue Boat Operator (WFRBO) teams for national deployment, so all crews must be trained to the standard of DEFRA Flood Rescue Concept of Operations (November 2019), Module 4. To address the training needs in this subject matter, NFRS currently sends personnel away to an external Rescue 3 Europe accredited training provider for residential initial and refresher training. NFRS has an objective to continue with the success of this training model and is seeking to appoint a Rescue 3 Europe accredited training provider with a proven track record of delivering initial and refresher WFRBO residential training courses. NFRS's current arrangement for the provision of these services expires in December 2022 and NFRS wishes to establish a new contract with a service provider for an initial period of 3 years with the option to extend by up to 3 further years subject to satisfactory performance. The Training Provider shall design and deliver a Rescue 3 Europe accredited Programme of training that complies with the requirements of and achieves the standard as prescribed by the DEFRA Flood Rescue Concept of Operations (November 2019), Module 4. The Providers Training Programme shall include initial and re-certification training courses for NFRS staff; the training shall be residential and supported with appropriate training materials and learning resources.

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

Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

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

Start date

5 January 2023

End date

4 January 2026

This contract is subject to renewal

No

### **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**

The Council has the right to extend this contract by a further 3 years.

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

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

Water and Flood Rescue Technician (WFRT) Instructor Pathway Training

Lot No

2

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

- 80500000 - Training services

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

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

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

Currently, Norfolk Fire and Rescue Services (NFRS) instructional staff within the training department train personnel to Water and Flood Rescue Technician (WFRT), Rescues from Vehicles in Water (RVW), Water First Responder (WFR) and Water Awareness level. These courses are DEFRA standard and accredited by Rescue 3 Europe. There is a need for new NFRS instructional staff to have successfully completed initial instructor pathway training including Water and Flood Rescue Technician Advanced (WFRTA) and Water and Flood Rescue Technician Instructor (SWFRTI) qualifications, and a Rescues from Vehicles in Water (RVW) course. The training provider shall design and deliver a

Rescue 3 Europe accredited Programme of instructor training that complies with the requirements of, and achieves the standard as prescribed by the DEFRA Flood Rescue Concept of Operations (November 2019), Module 3 Instructor (pages 94-95). NFRS's current arrangement for the provision of these services expires in December 2022 and NFRS wishes to establish a new contract with a service provider for an initial period of 3 years with the option to extend by up to 3 further years subject to satisfactory performance.

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## **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

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## **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

25 October 2022

Local time

10:00am

#### **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: 3 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)

#### **IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders**

Date

25 October 2022

Local time

10:02am

Place

Norfolk

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### **Section VI. Complementary information**

#### **VI.1) Information about recurrence**

This is a recurrent procurement: No

#### **VI.2) Information about electronic workflows**

Electronic ordering will be used

Electronic invoicing will be accepted

Electronic payment will be used

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

This procurement will be managed electronically via the Council's e-procurement system. To participate in this procurement, applicants must first be registered on the system at <https://in-tendhost.co.uk/norfolkcc>. Full instructions for registration and use of the system can be found at <https://in-tendhost.co.uk/norfolkcc/asp/BuyerProfiles>. Once registered you will be able to see the procurement project under the `tenders` section and `express an interest` to view the documentation. If you encounter any difficulties whilst using the system you can contact the In-tend support team by phoning +44 8442728810 or e-mailing [support@in-tend.co.uk](mailto:support@in-tend.co.uk).

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

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



Norfolk County Council

Norwich

Country

United Kingdom

#### **VI.4.3) Review procedure**

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

Precise information on deadline(s) for lodging appeals: The Public Contracts Regulations 2015 (as amended) provide for aggrieved parties who have been harmed or are at risk of harm by a breach of the rules to take action in the High Court (England, Wales and Northern Ireland). Proceedings must be brought within 30 days from the date of knowledge (the date on which the economic operator first knew or ought to have known that grounds for starting the proceedings had arisen) unless the Court considers that there is good reason for extending the period within which proceedings may be brought, in which case the Court may extend that period up to a maximum of 3 months from the date of knowledge.