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Planning

Soft Market Test - Weed Treatment Services

Leicestershire County Council

F01: Prior information notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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I.3) Communication

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Regional or local authority

I.5) Main activity

General public services

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Soft Market Test - Weed Treatment Services

Reference number

DN689154

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 77312100 - Weed-killing services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Leicestershire County Council are currently preparing to issue further competitions for Weed Treatment Services, via a suitable DPS, split into Lot 1: Routine weed treatment – North Leicestershire, Lot 2: Routine weed treatment – South Leicestershire and Leicestershire High Speed Roads, Lot 3 – Targeted invasive and noxious weed treatment – Leicestershire, with the further competitions anticipated to commence on 20th October 2023. This is to replace the Weed Treatment Services_2021 (currently in place). The Council is looking to appoint suitably experienced contractor(s) to provide weed treatment services throughout Leicestershire, with areas of treatment to be within the highway, footways, and jitties, commencing with the 2024 season, and invite interested organisations to register an interest and to possibly discuss the requirements further.

Please note that this is not a call for competition, and any information given above is not guaranteed within any subsequent procurement, only indicative of our potential requirements.

Any future procurement will be subject to a separate advertisement.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £650,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Routine weed treatment – North Leicestershire

Lot No

1

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 77312100 - Weed-killing services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKF22 - Leicestershire CC and Rutland

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

- Routine weed treatment of A, B, C, and unclassified roads, footways, and jitties in specified

locations throughout North Leicestershire.

II.2.6) Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: £250,000

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

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

Initial period of 36 months, plus 2 x 12-month optional extensions.

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Routine weed treatment – South Leicestershire and Leicestershire High Speed Roads

Lot No

2

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 77312100 - Weed-killing services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKF22 - Leicestershire CC and Rutland

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

- Routine weed treatment of A, B, C, and unclassified roads, footways, and jitties in specified locations throughout South Leicestershire.
- Routine weed treatment of high-speed roads in specified locations throughout North and South Leicestershire (Leicestershire County Council to provide traffic management and any associated permits required).

II.2.6) Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: £300,000

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

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

Initial period of 36 months, plus 2 x 12-month optional extensions.

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Targeted invasive and noxious weed treatment – Leicestershire

Lot No

3

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 77312100 - Weed-killing services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKF22 - Leicestershire CC and Rutland

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

- Targeted invasive and noxious weed treatment throughout Leicestershire.

II.2.6) Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: £100,000

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

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

Initial period of 36 months, plus 2 x 12-month optional extensions.

II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

20 October 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: Yes

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

Market Engagement

In addition to registering an interest in this procurement, Leicestershire County Council would like to invite interested organisations to propose solutions that might offer reduction in the use of glyphosate, integrated weed management, latest technology, added value, efficiencies, carbon reduction, or similar, by written submission via <https://www.eastmidstenders.org/index.html> by 12th October 2023.

Without commitment or preference, we may then invite interested parties to join us for a meeting (either online or face-to-face), to discuss our requirements and any interesting proposals further. We may do this to shape our requirement however any tender opportunity that follows will be undertaken by a separate exercise.

Any costs incurred by participating in this exercise will be borne by the participating organisations.

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