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Contract

Supply and Delivery of Community Meals

Scotland Excel

F21: Social and other specific services – public contracts

Contract award notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

UKM83 - Inverclyde, East Renfrewshire and Renfrewshire

Internet address(es)

Main address

<http://www.scotland-excel.org.uk>

Buyer's address

https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA10383

I.2) Information about joint procurement

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

I.5) Main activity

General public services

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Supply and Delivery of Community Meals

Reference number

1922

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 55521100 - Meals-on-wheels services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

This framework will provide councils and other participating bodies with a mechanism to procure a range of well-balanced, healthy and nutritious community meals delivered to people in their own homes, community venues and council premises.

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: £18,600,000

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Bulk Delivery of Meals to a Central Distribution Point

Lot No

1

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 55521200 - Meal delivery service
- 15894200 - Prepared meals
- 15894300 - Prepared dishes
- 15880000 - Special nutritional products
- 15894000 - Processed food products
- 15896000 - Deep-frozen products
- 15811510 - Sandwiches

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKM - Scotland

Main site or place of performance

Various locations within Scotland.

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Bulk delivery of a range of community meals delivered to community venues and council nominated premises. There are no sub-lots under this lot.

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 Flexible Framework Agreement period may be for a maximum duration of 60 months (5 years). The initial period of the Flexible Framework Agreement will run for 36 months (3 years) from the commencement date with an option to extend for up to a further two 12-month periods subject to satisfactory operation and performance. Any period of extension will be at the sole discretion of Scotland Excel.

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Meal Delivery to Customers at Home/ Nominated Premises with Welfare Check

Lot No

2

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 55521200 - Meal delivery service
- 85312000 - Social work services without accommodation
- 85312200 - Homedelivery of provisions
- 85312400 - Welfare services not delivered through residential institutions
- 55320000 - Meal-serving services
- 15894200 - Prepared meals
- 15894300 - Prepared dishes

- 15880000 - Special nutritional products
- 15894000 - Processed food products
- 15896000 - Deep-frozen products
- 15811510 - Sandwiches

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKM - Scotland

Main site or place of performance

Various locations within Scotland.

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Meal Delivery Service to Customers at Home or Council Nominated Premises including welfare check. The Sub-Lots under this lot include: Sub-Lot 2.1 Ambient Meals, Sub-Lot 2.2 Chilled and/or Fresh Meals, Sub-Lot 2.3 Frozen Meals, Sub-Lot 2.4 Hot Meals and Sub-Lot 2.5 Part-prepared Meals.

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 Flexible Framework Agreement period may be for a maximum duration of 60 months (5 years). The initial period of the Flexible Framework Agreement will run for 36 months (3 years) from the commencement date with an option to extend for up to a further two 12-month periods subject to satisfactory operation and performance. Any period of extension will be at the sole discretion of Scotland Excel.

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Form of procedure

Open procedure

IV.1.3) Information about a framework agreement

The procurement involves the establishment of a framework agreement

IV.1.11) Main features of the award procedure

In accordance with Regulation 76 (10) of the Public Contracts (Scotland) Regulations 2015, the weightings which were applied to establish which tenders represent the best price quality ratio taking into account quality and sustainability criteria for the services, for each lot were:

Lot 1 – Price: 70 / Quality: 30

Lot 2 (All Sub-lots: 2.1,2.2,2.3, 2.4 and 2.5) – Price: 60 / Quality: 40

IV.2) Administrative information

IV.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure

Notice number: [2024/S 000-010882](#)

Section V. Award of contract

Lot No

1

Title

Bulk Delivery of Meals to a Central Distribution Point

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

23 July 2024

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 2

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: 2

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 2

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

apetito ltd

Canal Road

Trowbridge

BA14 8RJ

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £6,882,000

Section V. Award of contract

Lot No

2

Title

Meal Delivery to Customers at Home/ Nominated Premises with Welfare Check

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

23 July 2024

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 3

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: 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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Canal Road

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Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

I Care (GB) Limited

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Blackpool

FY2 0PJ

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £11,718,000

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

Full details of the requirements of this Flexible Framework Agreement (including permitted variations and contract conditions) were available in the Procurement Documents within the relevant project on PCS-T.

This public tender was conducted in accordance with the “Light Touch Regime” provided for under Regulations 74-76 of the Public Contracts (Scotland) Regulations 2015, for Social and Other Specific Services, and primarily followed the Open Procedure under the Regulations, with variations to establish a Flexible Framework Agreement which is similar to a Framework Agreement under Regulation 34, with variations. As detailed in the Procurement Documents, the variations allow for the Flexible Framework Agreement to be re-opened for the admission of New Entrants, and allows appointed Suppliers to vary

their service offerings in accordance with the Conditions of Contract.

Scotland Excel, as a central purchasing body, is establishing this flexible framework for the use and benefit of its members namely 32 local authorities in Scotland, Tayside Contracts, associate members, together with any Integration Authority, or other body, established pursuant to the Public Bodies (Joint Working) (Scotland) Act 2014. Scotland Excel local authority members and associate members entitled to use this framework, are listed at http://www.scotlandexcel.org.uk/home/Aboutus/Ourmembers/Our_members.aspx

The above is subject to each contracting authority entering into and maintaining a membership agreement or other access agreement with Scotland Excel.

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VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Court of Session

Parliament Square

Edinburgh

EH1 1RQ

Country

United Kingdom

VI.4.3) Review procedure

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

An economic operator that suffers, or risks suffering, loss or damage attributable to a breach of duty under the Public Contracts (Scotland) Regulations 2015 (SSI 2015/446) (as amended) may bring proceedings in the Sheriff Court or the Court of Session.