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Contract

Economic and Inclusive Growth Strategy and Place Plans

Cumberland Council

F03: Contract award notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

Cumberland Council

Cumbria House, 107 - 117 Botchergate

Carlisle

CA1 1RD

Email

procurement.capital@cumbria.gov.uk

Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UKD1 - Cumbria

Internet address(es)

Main address

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

Buyer's address

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

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

Economic and Inclusive Growth Strategy and Place Plans

Reference number

DN726349

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 71000000 - Architectural, construction, engineering and inspection services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Supporting established aspirations for the economy and our community, Cumberland Council is undertaking the development of an Economic and Inclusive Growth Strategy, supported by a Place Framework.

The project seeks to respond to the current and future challenges and opportunities faced by Cumberland's economy and determine a strategy that will meet the Council's goals of putting health and wellbeing at the heart of everything we do and developing a local economy that works for local people. In addition, we wish to determine a strategy and delivery missions that put the principles of a circular economy and community wealth at the centre of our policy making and actions.

To progress and support this work; Cumberland Council is seeking to commission appropriately qualified and experienced consultants to support the inclusive and engaging creation of an Inclusive Growth Strategy and Place plans.

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: £152,057

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKD1 - Cumbria

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The focus of this project is the development of a clear and evidenced strategy, delivery plan and series of deliverable place plans. It is through this work that it will be possible to further quantify wider delivery outputs. The work is staged with Components 1 to 4 representing a first stage and Component 5 a second:

Component 1 – Socio-Economic Analysis and Review

Component 2 – Inclusive and Economic Growth Strategy

Component 3: Investment and Regeneration Prospectus

Component 4 – Place Framework (by December)

Component 5 – Place Plans (To be priced separate to components 1 - 4)

The Council reserves the right to not award a Stage 2 contract even if Stage 1 is awarded.

The Council proposes to enter into the Contract for a maximum period of 5 months with the successful Tenderer for stage 1.

Further time may be agreed if it is determined to progress work on stage 2.

The value provided is an estimate only.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 65

Quality criterion - Name: Social Value / Weighting: 10

Price - Weighting: 25

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

Suppliers wishing to express an interest and obtain access to the tender documents should go to www.the-chest.org.uk and click on current opportunities from the navigation area on the left of the screen. On the next screen enter the contract Reference (DN726349) in the box labelled 'contains' then click search. Click on the Blue link for the contract title to view the opportunity.

To express an interest you will need to login. If you are not already registered on the www.the-chest.org.uk you will need to return to the home page and click on Register. Register free link in the navigation area on the left of the screen. Registration is free of charge and your username and password will be emailed to you.

Cumberland Council is fully supportive of all aspects of diversity including ethnicity, race, religion, age, disability and sexual orientation. In this respect Cumberland Council welcomes expressions of interest from ethnic minority, disabled and other diverse business communities and the voluntary sector. Economic operators are therefore required to fully comply with all statutory obligations/applicable legislation and there will be a requirement to participate in the authority's supplier audits on all aspects of diversity.

The contracting authority expressly reserves the right:

(i) not to award any contract as a result of the procurement process commenced by publication of this notice; and

(ii) to make whatever changes it may see fit to the content and structure of the tendering competition; and in no circumstances will the contracting authority be liable for any costs incurred by the candidates. Any expenditure, work or effort undertaken prior to contract award is accordingly a matter solely for the commercial judgement of potential suppliers.

The contracting authority reserve the right to use any electronic portal during the life of the agreement.

The value provided in Section II.1.5 is only an estimate.

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.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure

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Section V. Award of contract

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

14 August 2024

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 13

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 13

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Cambridge Econometrics

9 Reuben House Covent Garden

Cambridge

CB1 2HT

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: £152,057

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

The High Court of England

London

Country

United Kingdom