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Planning

Infrastructure as a service and Deskside Support for South Downs National Park Authority

South Downs National Park Authority

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

South Downs National Park Authority

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Contact

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Email

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Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

UKJ27 - West Sussex (South West)

Internet address(es)

Main address

http://www.southdowns.gov.uk

I.3) Communication

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Other type

National Park Authority

I.5) Main activity

Environment

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Infrastructure as a service and Deskside Support for South Downs National Park Authority

II.1.2) Main CPV code

• 72500000 - Computer-related services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

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IAAS and deskside support contracts end on 30 June 2025. We are exploring the feasibility of merging the two contracts. SDNPA is conducting preliminary market engagement with managed service providers to understand market capabilities and understand possible approaches and associated risks, using a market engagement questionnaire. This is an open engagement exercise in which any potential providers can participate. A summary of the engagement process along with any learning and how it has influenced service design would be published as part of any subsequent procurement process. A background document and the questionnaire are available by emailing tenders@southdowns.gov.uk. The deadline for completed questionnaires is close of play on Monday 23 September 2024.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £1,000,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 72500000 Computer-related services
- 72900000 Computer back-up and catalogue conversion services
- 72700000 Computer network services
- 72120000 Hardware disaster-recovery consultancy services
- 72600000 Computer support and consultancy services
- 72400000 Internet services
- 72300000 Data services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

UKJ27 - West Sussex (South West)

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

21 October 2024

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