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Contract

EV Strategy Consultancy under OCC Electric Vehicle DPS

Oxford City Council

F03: Contract award notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocids-h6vhtk-0288f5

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

Oxford City Council

Oxford City Council, St.Aldates

Oxford

OX1 1DS

Email

procurement@oxford.gov.uk

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

UK - United Kingdom

Internet address(es)

Main address

<http://www.oxford.gov.uk>

Buyer's address

<http://www.oxford.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

EV Strategy Consultancy under OCC Electric Vehicle DPS

Reference number

DN573129

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 71310000 - Consultative engineering and construction services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Oxford City Council wishes to engage consultancy services to create an Electric Vehicle (EV) Strategy and a high level programme plan to inform our approach to support Oxford residents and visitors who need to drive cars – where cycling, walking or public transport is not practicable – and are supported to do so in zero emitting vehicles.

Contract awarded under EV DPS DN519227

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: £48,666

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The council aims to encourage the reduction of car ownership, therefore the EV strategy will need to align closely with measures set out by transport policy to achieve this aim.

If EV infrastructure roll out is left to the market alone, it is likely to result in an inequitable transition in EV ownership and long-term contracts which tie up prime locations shutting out future council plans for EV charging provision. A more equitable provision will carry a cost. The council will need to determine an 'optimal' intervention in the market to maximise equitability, whilst still controlling cost and risk.

The EV strategy will inform policy and delivery mechanisms to meet national and regional EV and EV infrastructure targets as EV ownership moves into business as usual, and build on the extensive project work Oxford have undertaken in the sector. It will dovetail into the Oxford City Council Strategy 20-24 along with other key council strategies and policies.

Oxfordshire has faster growth in EV sales than the national average, with the University of Oxford research predicting EV sales as likely to reach approximately 90% of new vehicle sales by 2025 and 100% before 2030 (note: these figures have yet to be updated to factor in the new end of ICE sales in 2030). The Zero Carbon Oxford Partnership (ZCOP) data indicates that we will need to see 16000 Oxford fossil fuel cars transitioned to EV by 2026 to meet Oxford's zero emission targets, half of which could rely on public charging.

The availability of suitable charging infrastructure is essential to support the migration to EV use. Public EV charging infrastructure in Oxford cannot be allowed to fall behind and limit the forecast speed of change. The public EV charging market is changing and entering a growth phase after completing the seeding and consolidation stages, and the council needs to determine its role to facilitate this local growth.

Everyone has the right to move anywhere, anytime. Thousands of citizens and drivers will soon depend on electric car infrastructure to exercise that right. The council has been receiving regular requests for the installation of local EV chargers from householders and businesses, directly and via elected members. The council needs to determine its response to those requests.

The new Oxford Local Plan has set targets for EV infrastructure installation as part of new developments. Further work is needed to ensure that the policy and guidance in relation to this area is comprehensive and covers maintenance and replacement of such infrastructure.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Case Studies / Weighting: 20

Quality criterion - Name: Methodology and Practice / Weighting: 30

Quality criterion - Name: Timings / Weighting: 10

Quality criterion - Name: Social Value / Weighting: 5

Quality criterion - Name: Added Value / Weighting: 5

Price - Weighting: 30

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

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Restricted 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

Title

EV Strategy Consultancy under OCC Electric Vehicle DPS

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

22 November 2021

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 3

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 3

Number of tenders received from tenderers from other EU Member States: 0

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 0

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 3

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Urban Foresight

Newcastle

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)

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot: £50,000

Total value of the contract/lot: £48,666

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Oxford City Council

Oxford

Country

United Kingdom