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## **TC1126 - (Framework) Provision of Greater Manchester e-Lending Service (e-Book, e-Audio, e-Magazines and e-Newspapers)**

Manchester City Council

F02: Contract notice

Notice identifier: 2022/S 000-030192

Procurement identifier (OCID): ocids-h6vhtk-037c56

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### **Section I: Contracting authority**

#### **I.1) Name and addresses**

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**Country**

United Kingdom

**Region code**

UKD3 - Greater Manchester

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

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

Buyer's address

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

**I.3) Communication**

The procurement documents are available for unrestricted and full direct access, free of charge, at

[www.the-chest.org.uk](http://www.the-chest.org.uk)

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

[www.the-chest.org.uk](http://www.the-chest.org.uk)

**I.4) Type of the contracting authority**

Regional or local authority

**I.5) Main activity**

General public services

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## **Section II: Object**

### **II.1) Scope of the procurement**

#### **II.1.1) Title**

TC1126 - (Framework) Provision of Greater Manchester e-Lending Service (e-Book, e-Audio, e-Magazines and e-Newspapers)

Reference number

DN638740

#### **II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 92511000 - Library services

#### **II.1.3) Type of contract**

Services

#### **II.1.4) Short description**

Framework for the provision of Greater Manchester e-Lending Service (e-Book, e-Audio, e-Magazines and e-Newspapers).

Split in to 3 Lots:

Lot 1 - e\_Books ad e-Audiobooks

Lot 2 - e-Magazines

Lot 3 - e-Newspapers

#### **II.1.5) Estimated total value**

Value excluding VAT: £379,156.22

#### **II.1.6) Information about lots**

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

Tenders may be submitted for all lots

Maximum number of lots that may be awarded to one tenderer: 3

## **II.2) Description**

### **II.2.1) Title**

e-Books and e-Audiobooks

Lot No

1

### **II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 30000000 - Office and computing machinery, equipment and supplies except furniture and software packages

### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UKD3 - Greater Manchester

### **II.2.4) Description of the procurement**

e-Books and e-Audiobooks

### **II.2.5) Award criteria**

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 50

Quality criterion - Name: Social and Ethical Value / Weighting: 20

Quality criterion - Name: Environmental and Climate Change / Weighting: 10

Price - Weighting: 20

### **II.2.6) Estimated value**

Value excluding VAT: £462,786

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

Duration in months

48

This contract is subject to renewal

No

#### **II.2.10) Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: No

#### **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**

The Council is using the e-business portal known as the Chest. Applicants will need to register their details at the following link [www.the-chest.org.uk](http://www.the-chest.org.uk). Applicants will need to electronically submit their completed tender documents, including online questionnaire, via the on-line portal by 11am on Monday 28 November 2022 as referred to in IV.2.2.

### **II.2) Description**

#### **II.2.1) Title**

e-Magazines

Lot No

2

#### **II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 92511000 - Library services

#### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UKD3 - Greater Manchester

#### **II.2.4) Description of the procurement**

e-Magazines

### **II.2.5) Award criteria**

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 50

Quality criterion - Name: Social and Ethical Value / Weighting: 20

Quality criterion - Name: Environmental and Climate Change / Weighting: 10

Price - Weighting: 20

### **II.2.6) Estimated value**

Value excluding VAT: £23,056.98

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

Duration in months

48

This contract is subject to renewal

No

### **II.2.10) Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: No

### **II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: No

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## **II.2) Description**

### **II.2.1) Title**

e-Newspapers

Lot No

3

### **II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 30000000 - Office and computing machinery, equipment and supplies except furniture and software packages

### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UKD3 - Greater Manchester

### **II.2.4) Description of the procurement**

e-Newspapers

### **II.2.5) Award criteria**

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 50

Quality criterion - Name: Social and Ethical Value / Weighting: 20

Quality criterion - Name: Environmental and Climate Change / Weighting: 10

Price - Weighting: 20

### **II.2.6) Estimated value**

Value excluding VAT: £60,573

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

Duration in months

48

This contract is subject to renewal

No

#### **II.2.10) Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: No

#### **II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: No

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### **Section III. Legal, economic, financial and technical information**

#### **III.1) Conditions for participation**

##### **III.1.2) Economic and financial standing**

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

##### **III.1.3) Technical and professional ability**

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

#### **III.2) Conditions related to the contract**

##### **III.2.2) Contract performance conditions**

As stated in the procurement documents.

##### **III.2.3) Information about staff responsible for the performance of the contract**

Obligation to indicate the names and professional qualifications of the staff assigned to performing the contract



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## **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: No

### **IV.2) Administrative information**

#### **IV.2.2) Time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate**

Date

28 November 2022

Local time

11:00am

#### **IV.2.4) Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted**

English

#### **IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders**

Date

28 November 2022

Local time

11:00am

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.1) Information about recurrence**

This is a recurrent procurement: No

### **VI.3) Additional information**

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The contracts will be for 4 years, expected to commence 01 April 2023.

The successful supplier will be required to actively participate in the economic and social regeneration of the locality of, and surroundings of, the place of delivery of the contract. Therefore, selection and award criteria, specification requirements and contract performance conditions may relate in particular to social and environmental considerations as relevant to the subject matter of this project.

The Council reserves the right not to award the framework, as a result of this Contract Notice. The Council shall not be liable for any costs or expenses incurred by any organisation in responding to this notice or in tendering for the proposed framework.

All submissions must be in English, with any clarifications or discussions conducted in English. Tenders and supporting documents must be priced in pounds sterling and all payments under the proposed contract will be made in pounds sterling.

Tenders should note that this Framework is open to and may be used by other Association of Greater Manchester Authorities (AGMA) and its associate members, and Manchester Partners - this includes the following:

Manchester, Bolton, Stockport, Tameside, Oldham, Trafford, Rochdale, Bury, Salford, Wigan, Blackburn with Darwen, Blackpool, Cumbria, Halton, Knowsley and St Helens, Cheshire West & Chester, Cheshire East, Lancashire, Liverpool, Sefton, LiveWire Warrington, Wirral Greater Manchester Fire and Rescue Authority, Greater Manchester Police Authority, Greater Manchester Waste Disposal Authority, Manchester Central Convention Complex, Commission for New Economy, Greater Manchester Passenger

Transport Executive (TfGM), Transport for Greater Manchester, Greater Manchester Combined Authority and the Integrated Transport Authority.

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## **VI.4) Procedures for review**

### **VI.4.1) Review body**

Manchester City Council

Manchester

Country

United Kingdom

### **VI.4.3) Review procedure**

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

The Council will incorporate a minimum 10 calendar day standstill period at the point information on the award of the contract is communicated to tenderers prior to entering into the contract. If an appeal regarding the award of a contract has not been successfully resolved, the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 provide for aggrieved parties who have been harmed or are at risk of harm by a breach of the rules to take action in the High Court (England, Wales and Northern Ireland).