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Tender

Provision of Winter Maintenance (Gritting)

East Renfrewshire Council

F02: Contract notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-040bee

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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NUTS code

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Internet address(es)

Main address

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

Buyer's address

https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA00183

I.3) Communication

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

<https://www.publictendersscotland.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

<https://www.publictendersscotland.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk>

Electronic communication requires the use of tools and devices that are not generally available. Unrestricted and full direct access to these tools and devices is possible, free of charge, at

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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

Provision of Winter Maintenance (Gritting)

Reference number

ERC000290

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 50230000 - Repair, maintenance and associated services related to roads and other equipment

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

East Renfrewshire Council is looking to appoint a suitably qualified and experienced contractor(s) for a contract for the Council's winter gritting operations.

Lot 1 of this contract is for the Provision of Winter Maintenance Services to implement a gritting regime that will allow safe access and egress to Council properties during periods of winter weather at or below zero degrees centigrade.

This procurement will be conducted via the Public Contracts Scotland - Tender portal (PCS-T). We will apply a one stage Open procedure.

Bidders must self-certify their adherence to the conditions of participation via the SPD (Scotland) in PSC-T, and may be required to submit Means of Proof before contract award. Bidders must refer to the specific requirements listed in Section III in this OJEU Contract Notice when completing the SPD in PCS-T.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £400,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 44113910 - Winter-maintenance materials

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKM83 - Inverclyde, East Renfrewshire and Renfrewshire

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Lot 1 of this contract is for the provision of Winter Maintenance Services to implement a gritting regime that will allow safe access and

egress to Council properties during periods of winter weather at or below zero degrees centigrade.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Methodology & Approach / Weighting: 80

Quality criterion - Name: Community Benefits / Weighting: 10

Quality criterion - Name: Carbon Footprint / Weighting: 5

Quality criterion - Name: Fair Work Practices / Weighting: 5

Price - Weighting: 60

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

Duration in months

24

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

2 x 12 month extension options included in the contract value of this notice.

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

Economic operators may be excluded from this competition if they are in any of the situations referred to in regulation 8 and 9 of the Procurement (Scotland) Regulations 2016.

Section III. Legal, economic, financial and technical information

III.1) Conditions for participation

III.1.2) Economic and financial standing

List and brief description of selection criteria

The Council reserves the right at its own discretion to seek information from the applicant in accordance with Regulation 61(7) or Regulation 61(8) of the Public Contracts (Scotland) Regulations 2015 to determine the Applicant's economic and financial standing. East Renfrewshire Council requires to ensure that the economic operator has the necessary economic and financial capacity to perform and complete the contract. In the current difficult economic environment, the Council seeks to ensure that the contractor who undertakes the works has suitable financial strength and capacity to complete these goods, works or services.

Where an economic operator wishes to be considered for selection under this contract but cannot meet the turnover and/or Credit Safe score of 30 that economic operator must provide financial information which will satisfy the Council that they have an equivalent level of economic and financial standing; and must provide related guarantees or formal assurances to support their right to participate and be considered for any contract award (Regulation 61(8)). Please note that any financial information disclosed should evidence the financial strength of the economic operator tendering, therefore additional supporting information will need to be provided where joint or group accounts are provided in support of a bid to explain to the Council the relevance of that information.

Where the economic bidder relies upon or intends to rely upon any Key Subcontractors in performance of the contract, then the Council reserves the right to assess the financial strength and suitability of the Key subcontractor as part of the qualification process; Where the economic operator relies upon a parent company to provide financial assurance in support of their bid, the Council will also reserve the right to seek financial information on the strength and suitability of the parent company; and Where the economic operator relies upon the capacity of other parties in respect of selection and/or performance of the contract, then dependent on the nature of the arrangement the Council may require full disclosure of financial information in support of the bid. For example, where the bidder identifies as a consortium the Council will require that the consortium, as a group, can meet the financial selection requirements contained in the procurement documents. Where a bidder is part of a Consortium, it shall procure the execution and delivery to the Employer of a Consortium Guarantee (in the form provided by the council) executed by each member of the Consortium (acting as Consortium guarantor) in Self Proving Form.

The Council reserves the right to monitor that the economic operator continues to meet the financial selection requirements upon receipt of the invitation to tender or after evaluation has been completed and prior to any award being made. Economic operators must inform the Council of any changes to any submission made by them in respect of their financial and or economic situation. The Council will further reserve the right to remove any economic operator from the tendering process where they are no longer able to fulfil any of the selection requirements as directed within the procurement documents.

Further detail is contained within the procurement documents.

Bidders who cannot meet the required level of turnover will be excluded from this tender.

It is a requirement of this contract that bidders hold, or can commit to obtain prior to the commencement of any subsequently awarded contract, the types and levels of insurance indicated below:

Employer's (Compulsory) Liability Insurance = 5 million GBP

Public Liability Insurance 5 million GBP

Motor Vehicle Insurance

III.1.3) Technical and professional ability

List and brief description of selection criteria

Please provide details of similar projects elsewhere in the last 3 years with a minimum number of 3 relevant examples.

Details should include the following: Name of organisation, contract value, contract duration in month and year format (i.e. January 2022 to December 2022) and the type of works undertaken.

The Council reserves the right to remove you from the exercise if the examples are not considered relevant to the works being offered.

Bidders who intend to use a supply chain to deliver the requirements detailed in the Contract Notice, must confirm they have (or have access to) the relevant supply chain management and tracking systems to ensure a resilient and sustainable supply chain. Bidders must provide a response at SPD Q4.C.4 and this will include confirmation that they have the systems in place to pay subcontractors through the supply chain promptly and effectively, and provide evidence when requested of:

a) their standard payment terms.

b) ≥95% of all supply chain invoices being paid on time (in accordance with the terms of contract) in the last financial year.

Bidders unable to confirm (b) must provide an improvement plan, signed by their Director, which improves payment performance. It should be noted that where a bidder is unable to confirm or provide a satisfactory improvement plan the Council reserves the right to remove you from the process.

Bidders are required to confirm whether they intend to subcontract and, if so, for what proportion of the contract.

Bidders who intend to subcontract more than 25% to any individual organisation must ensure the SPD (Scotland) - Subcontractors Supplier Response is completed and uploaded at question 2C.1 of the qualification envelope.

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Open procedure

IV.1.3) Information about a framework agreement or a dynamic purchasing system

The procurement involves the establishment of a framework agreement

Framework agreement with a single operator

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

Date

13 November 2023

Local time

12:00pm

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

English

IV.2.6) Minimum time frame during which the tenderer must maintain the tender

Duration in months: 6 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)

IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders

Date

13 November 2023

Local time

12:00pm

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: Yes

Estimated timing for further notices to be published: Expected tender renewal will be within 45 months subject to 2 x 12 month extension renewal taken up.

VI.2) Information about electronic workflows

Electronic ordering will be used

Electronic invoicing will be accepted

Electronic payment will be used

VI.3) Additional information

Sole supplier for this requirement.

The buyer is using PCS-Tender to conduct this ITT exercise. The Project code is 25245. For more information see:

<http://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/info/InfoCentre.aspx?ID=2343>

Community benefits are included in this requirement. For more information see:

<https://www.gov.scot/policies/public-sector-procurement/community-benefits-in-procurement/>

A summary of the expected community benefits has been provided as follows:

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A summary of the expected community benefits has been provided as follows:

East Renfrewshire Council is committed to maximising community benefits from contracts for works, goods and services in which the

Council has an interest. Community benefits should improve the economic, social or environmental wellbeing of the area. Under this contract the successful Contractor will be requested to support East Renfrewshire Council's economic, environmental and social

regeneration objectives to achieve benefits for our identified beneficiary hierarchy.

Tier 1. Targeted recruitment and training for priority employability groups.

Tier 2. Work experience placements for the same target groups.

Tier 3. Curriculum support for schools and those on employability pathways.

Tier 4. Community Enhancement for community groups and projects.

Tier 5. Small and Medium Enterprises and Social Enterprise Organisations supply chain support.

Community Benefits has been included as a mandatory requirement. Minimum Community Benefit Points (CBP) Required.

Lot 1 - Paths/Pavements/Car Parks for Council Buildings = 10 CBP

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VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Paisley Sheriff Court and Justice of the Peace Court

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