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Tender Tree Cutting and Removal

Inverclyde Council

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

Inverclyde Council

Procurement, Municipal Buildings, Clyde Square

Greenock

PA15 1LX

Contact

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procurement@inverclyde.gov.uk

Telephone

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Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

UKM83 - Inverclyde, East Renfrewshire and Renfrewshire

Internet address(es)

Main address

http://www.inverclyde.gov.uk

Buyer's address

https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA0016 8

I.2) Information about joint procurement

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

I.3) Communication

Access to the procurement documents is restricted. Further information can be obtained 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

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

Tree Cutting and Removal

Reference number

ENV0584

II.1.2) Main CPV code

• 77211400 - Tree-cutting services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Inverclyde Council is inviting tenders to remove existing fallen trees and take down trees that are

at risk of falling at Castle Road, Newark Castle Park and Kelburn Park.

The successful contractor must be an approved ARB (Aboricultural Association) contractor.

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

• UKM83 - Inverclyde, East Renfrewshire and Renfrewshire

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Method Statement / Weighting: 5.00%

Quality criterion - Name: Risk Assessment / Weighting: 5.00%

Quality criterion - Name: Social Value Outcome Menu / Weighting: 3.00%

Quality criterion - Name: Social Value Supporting Methodology / Weighting: 2.00%

Quality criterion - Name: Fair Work First / Weighting: 5.00%

Price - Weighting: 80

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

Duration in days

14

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

Economic operators may be excluded from this competition if they are in any of the situations referred to in regulation 58 of the Public Contracts (Scotland) Regulations 2015.

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

Inverclyde Council will check the financial status of applicants by means of a Dun and Bradstreet assessment. In order to be considered, applicants must achieve one of the following:

(a) Where the tenderers Dun & Bradstreet risk indicator is 3, the annual contract value should also be less than 50% of the tenderers average turnover over the preceding 2 years (with audited accounts dated within 24 months of the date of the financial check).

OR

(b) Where the tenderers Dun & Bradstreet risk indicator is 2 or better, the annual contract value should also be less than 75% of the tenderers average turnover over the preceding 2 years (with audited accounts dated within 21 months of the date of the financial check).

PLEASE NOTE THE IMPORTANT GUIDANCE TO BIDDERS BELOW:

APPLICANTS ARE STRONGLY ADVISED TO SATISFY THEMSELVES THAT THEY MEET THESE CRITERIA AS FAILURE OF THE FINANCIAL CHECK WILL MEAN THAT THEIR APPLICATION WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED FURTHER. APPLICANTS SHOULD ALSO SATISFY THEMSELVES THAT THEIR DUN AND BRADSTREET RATINGS ARE CORRECT AND IT IS THE APPLICANT'S RESPONSIBILITY TO RAISE ANY QUERIES WITH DUN AND BRADSTREET IF THEY FEEL A CORRECTION IS REQUIRED. THE COUNCIL WILL RELY ON THE RISK RATING IT OBTAINS AT THE TIME IT PERFORMS THE D&B FINANCIAL CHECK.

You must provide your average yearly turnover for the last 2 years.

Turnover must be provided from your audited accounts. Turnover from unaudited accounts or part year turnover will not be accepted.

If you are unable to provide the turnover information required due to being exempt from submission of full audited accounts, please provide an explanation on why you are exempt in response to this question.

If you have responded that you are exempt from submitting full audited accounts, please confirm that you will be prepared to submit alternative information and documentation on your financial position should this be required at any point. This information could be required at selection or in the event that the bidder is identified as the preferred bidder.

Minimum level(s) of standards possibly required

4B.5.1a/4B.5.1b/4B.5.2 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 minimum levels of insurance indicated below:

Employer's (Compulsory) Liability: 5M GBP

Public Liability: 10M GBP

Motor Vehicle Insurance Indemnity: 5M GBP in respect of property damage and unlimited in respect of personal injury

III.1.3) Technical and professional ability

List and brief description of selection criteria

4C Bidders will be required to provide 3 examples and demonstrate that they have the relevant experience to deliver a tree felling and removal service in the past 3 years. Examples must demonstrate you have experience of delivering a contract of a similar size and nature that can be transferable in to the context of this contract opportunity.

BIDDERS TO NOTE THE EXAMPLES WILL BE SCORED ON A PASS/FAIL BASIS.

4C Tenders must confirm they are a certified member of ARB (Aboricultural Association) and provide evidence of this. Tenderers who do not provide signed certificates will fail this requirement and be deemed non-compliant and their tender not considered further.

4C SUBCONTRACTING

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

Minimum level(s) of standards possibly required

4D QUALITY ASSURANCE

The bidder must hold a UKAs (or equivalent) accredited independent third party certificate of compliance in accordance with BS EN ISO 9001 (or equivalent) OR hold the information contained in the buyer attachment area in PCS-T (file name "Contract Notice Additional Information")

4D HEALTH & SAFETY

The bidder must hold a UKAS (or equivalent), accredited independent third party certificate of compliance in accordance with BS OHSAS 18001 (or equivalent) or have, within the last 12 months, successfully met the assessment requirements of a construction-related scheme in registered membership of the Safety Schemes in Procurement (SSIP) forum OR hold the information contained in the buyer attachment area in PCS-T (file name "Contract Notice Additional Information") ESPD Health & Safety.

4D ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT STANDARDS

The bidder must hold UKAS (or equivalent) accredited independent third party certificate of compliance with BS EN ISO 14001 (or equivalent) or a valid EMAS (or equivalent) certificate OR hold the information contained in the buyer attachment area in PCS-T (file name "Contract Notice Additional Information")

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

Date

4 July 2025

Local time

12:00pm

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

English

IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders

Date

4 July 2025

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12:00pm

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: No

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

Tenderers will be required to return with their submission a completed Data Protection Certificate, FOI Certificate, No Collusion Certificate, S1 Equalities Questionnaire, S2 Equalities Questionnaire, Prompt Payment Certificate, Workforce Matters Certificate and Tender Declaration Certificate.

The buyer is using PCS-Tender to conduct this ITT excercise. The Project code is 29162.

For more infromation see: <u>http://www.publiccontractscotland.gov.uk/info/InfoCentre.aspx?ID=2343</u>

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A sub-contract clause has been included in this contract. For more information see: <u>http://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/info/InfoCentre.aspx?ID=2363</u>

Community benefits are included in this requirement. For more information see: <u>https://www.gov.scot/policies/public-sector-procurement/community-benefits-in-procurement/</u>

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

Social Value is a key component in maximising social, economic and environmental benefits. The key principles of including social benefits wihin contracts are to ensure they are proportionate, deliverable and relevant to that contract. For this contract Inverclyde Council are requesting 5 Social Value Points.

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VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Greenock Sheriff Court and Justice of the Peace Court

Sheriff Court House, 1 Nelson Street

Greenock

PA15 1TR

Country

United Kingdom