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Tender

NCC856 Contract for an Operator of Blyth Culture Centre Hub

Northumberland County Council

F24: Concession notice

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Section I: Contracting authority/entity

I.1) Name and addresses

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I.3) Communication

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

<https://procontract.due-north.com>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Applications or, where applicable, tenders must be submitted electronically via

<https://procontract.due-north.com>

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Regional or local Agency/Office

I.5) Main activity

General public services

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

NCC856 Contract for an Operator of Blyth Culture Centre Hub

Reference number

DN639329

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 92000000 - Recreational, cultural and sporting services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

As part of the 'Energising Blyth' Programme, Northumberland County Council are developing a flagship 2000m2, 2-storey 'Culture Hub' facility (Culture Hub) in the heart of Blyth Town Centre and are inviting tenders from organisations who can operate the facility as a single entity, on a commercial basis.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £9,000,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This concession is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 92000000 - Recreational, cultural and sporting services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKC21 - Northumberland

Main site or place of performance

Blyth Town Centre, Northumberland

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

As part of the 'Energising Blyth' Programme, Northumberland County Council are developing a flagship 2000m², 2-storey 'Culture Hub' facility (Culture Hub) in the heart of Blyth Town Centre and are inviting tenders from organisations who can operate the facility as a single entity, on a commercial basis.

Informed by extensive Feasibility and Demand studies and community engagement, the Culture Hub will provide 3 Screen Cinema, a Multi-Purpose Space and Studio Space for functions and performances, a Creative Play Space, Cafe and all ancillary functions. It will be an accessible facility to appeal to a broad spectrum of users, creating a focal point for local communities and visitors. The opportunity covers all functions within the building with the exception of the Creative Play Space.

The Culture Hub (The subject of this Procurement) is one part of the 70m GBP Blyth Town Investment Plan supported by Town Deal, Future High Street Fund, Northumberland County Council and NTCA. This will deliver a range of significant projects in Blyth, including an Energy Central Campus, Hotel and public realm/street improvements to better connect and link the town to the Port.

Construction of the Culture Hub will begin later in 2023 with completion in Autumn 2024. Prior to the submission of the formal planning application and construction commencing, the Operator will be engaged in the detailed design stages (RIBA Stage 3 onwards) to ensure the building is fit for purpose.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Concession is awarded on the basis of the criteria stated in the procurement documents

II.2.7) Duration of the concession

Duration in months

180

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 contract duration is based on 60 months from commencement of Lease to the Building with options to extend for a further 2 x 60 months

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

Section IV. Procedure

IV.2) Administrative information

IV.2.2) Time limit for submission of applications or receipt of tenders

Date

28 November 2022

Local time

12:00pm

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

English

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: Yes

Estimated timing for further notices to be published: Depending on take up of available extensions to the contract, the earliest anticipated date for further notice is January 2029 and the latest anticipated date is January 2039.

VI.3) Additional information

The Council is using the ProActis Pro Contract E-tendering portal to conduct the procurement process.

To use the E-tendering portal to compete in the tender process, suppliers must create an account on the system.

Once an account has been created suppliers can register interest in this opportunity.

The E-tendering portal can be accessed at <https://procontract.due-north.com>

The Council's Procurement department will be holding online events to help any organisations not familiar with the tender process.

NB - events will focus on explaining a generic tender process and document set and will not provide any advice specific to the subject of this tender.

Events will be held virtually via Microsoft Teams.

Dates/times of the events are as follows:

Tuesday 1st November 2022 1-2pm

Wednesday 2nd November 2022 5-6pm

Thursday 3rd November 2022 8-9am

Wednesday 9th November 2022 9-10am

Thursday 10th November 2022 4-5pm

Interested parties should contact Chris Baty by email with their preferred date(s):

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VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

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<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/public-procurement-review-service-scope-and-remit>