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Planning

Larch Removal Benmore

RBGE - Benmore Botanic Garden

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

RBGE - Benmore Botanic Garden

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Country

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NUTS code

UKM - Scotland

Internet address(es)

Main address

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Buyer's address

https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA11182

I.3) Communication

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

I.5) Main activity

Education

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Larch Removal Benmore

Reference number

RBGE-2023-627

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 77000000 - Agricultural, forestry, horticultural, aquacultural and apicultural services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

The appointed contractor or contractors will have to have the ability to fell larch accurately and safely. Some of the trees will have to be dismantled and branch and stems lowered carefully, to minimize damage to the plant collection and garden infrastructure below and in the vicinity of the larch.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £180,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 77200000 - Forestry services
- 77231000 - Forestry management services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKM63 - Lochaber, Skye & Lochalsh, Arran & Cumbrae and Argyll & Bute
- UKM - Scotland
- UKM75 - Edinburgh, City of
- UKM92 - Dumfries & Galloway
- UKM91 - Scottish Borders

Main site or place of performance

Benmore has the largest number of Larch which need to be removed. Other RBGE Sites may have future requirements

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Larch Removal Services – Suppliers.

RBGE-Benmore Garden are undertaking pre-market engagement to identify capacity within the market to undertake the removal of Larch Trees from the Benmore Garden.

We wish to hear from supplier/s who will have to have the ability to fell larch accurately and safely. Some of the trees will have to be dismantled and branch and stems lowered carefully, to minimize damage to the plant collection and garden infrastructure below and in the vicinity of the larch.

Extraction of the felled material will have to be carried out in a manner to cause minimal damage to the Benmore ground flora. It is expected Benmore Botanic Garden staff and equipment will assist where appropriate, to forward the felled material to storage areas, in preparation for removal from site to designated mills.

Where possible, the felled material will be cut to specified commercial lengths to maximise the timber value.

It will be expected the supplier/s would arrange haulage from Benmore to appropriate mills or depots.

RBGE will be inviting suppliers to visit Benmore Garden for a discussion around what approach they would take and what services they can provide.

Area of consider for suppliers wish to work with RBGE – Benmore Garden include

Safe working practices including -

Have all necessary tickets and insurances in place prior to works commencing.

Benmore Botanic Garden is likely to be open to visitors whilst larch removal operations are taking place. The contractor would have to demarcate and maintain safe zones of operation.

Suppliers would have to follow instructions from Benmore Garden Operational Team

II.2.14) Additional information

Please register your interest on PCS by the 30 October 2023. We will then contact suppliers from w/c 30th October to discussion your service offering and invites for a site visit.

II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

4 December 2023

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.8) Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

NOTE: To register your interest in this notice and obtain any additional information please visit the Public Contracts Scotland Web Site at

https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/Search/Search_Switch.aspx?ID=747863.

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