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Planning

New High Commissioners Residence, Mauritius - Call for Expression of Interest

Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office

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Scope

Reference

ESND-1263-2025

Description

Residence Works: The site is located on the British High Commission Compound in Floreal, Mauritius. It is an exceptional site with established gardens and currently accommodates the existing British High Commission and High Commissioner's Residence.

The project scope includes the demolition of the existing Residence* and construction of the new Residence** on the same site.

It comprises a two-storey building with accommodation arranged around a central

courtyard. Interleaving reception rooms are situated on the ground floor and open out onto terraces, the internal courtyard and garden. Also located on this floor are a commercial kitchen and related facilities.

A family living room and kitchen as well as two large en-suite bedrooms, two children's bedrooms and an office are situated on the first floor.

Wheelchair accessibility is a key client requirement, and the design includes wide corridors and an external and internal lift.

Another key requirement is sustainability. The architectural design has been based on passive solar design principles and relevant tools like orientation, encouraging airflow through the building, shading of windows and walls and wall & roof insulation have been used in the design. We are working closely with BREEAM*** consultants to achieve an Excellent rating on the Residence.

Reinforced concrete columns, beams, slabs and foundations will be used to construct the main frame of the building and hollow concrete blocks will be used on partition walls externally and internally.

The external walls will be clad in glazed ceramic tiles with concrete details, the windows, powder coated aluminium and the roof, standing seam, zinc cladding.

A proposed access road to the Residence and landscaping works are also included in the works.

*Gross Internal Area of existing Residence to be demolished is approx. 770m², including the terrace.

**Net Internal Area of the proposed Residence is approximately 400m², excluding internal courtyard, and generous covered terraces.

***BREEAM - Building Research Establishment Environmental Assessment Method. It is a globally recognised sustainability assessment method and certification system for the built environment.

Total value (estimated)

- £8,000,000 excluding VAT
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Above the relevant threshold

Contract dates (estimated)

- 29 May 2026 to 15 October 2027
- 1 year, 4 months, 18 days

Main procurement category

Works

CPV classifications

- 45000000 - Construction work

Contract locations

- MU - Mauritius

Engagement

Engagement deadline

4 July 2025

Engagement process description

Suppliers are invited to complete the preliminary market engagement questionnaire by

17:00hrs (BST) 4th July 2025

Participation

Particular suitability

Small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)

Submission

Publication date of tender notice (estimated)

9 January 2026

Contracting authority

Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PXRR-8771-PHVX

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