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# **Colchester 5G Enabled Connected Tourism**

Colchester City Council

F02: Contract notice

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# **Section I: Contracting authority**

# I.1) Name and addresses

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**United Kingdom** 

Region code

UKH3 - Essex

Internet address(es)

Main address

www.colchester.gov.uk

Buyer's address

www.colchester.gov.uk

# I.3) Communication

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

https://www.delta-esourcing.com/tenders/UK-UK-Colchester:-Telecommunications-services./BDW567WP4C

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

https://www.delta-esourcing.com/tenders/UK-title/BDW567WP4C

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted to the above-mentioned address

# 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

Colchester 5G Enabled Connected Tourism

Reference number

0356

#### II.1.2) Main CPV code

64200000 - Telecommunications services

#### II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

#### II.1.4) Short description

Colchester, recognized as Britain's oldest recorded city and one of the fastest-growing UK boroughs, is located in North Essex and aims to position itself as a pioneering, digitally connected hub in the Eastern region of the UK. This vision involves harnessing advanced technologies such as full-fibre connectivity, 5G networks, and the Internet of Things (IoT). The scope of work centres on sourcing a wireless technology partner to design, build, and operate a 5G-enabled AR/VR connected tourism experience. This experience will span both within the Colchester Castle building and outdoors along the Roman Walls. The solution should be scalable to accommodate future growth and seamlessly integrate evolving wireless technologies. The contractor is expected to commit to enhancing public cellular 5G coverage across Colchester, addressing existing connectivity gaps.

#### II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £500,000

#### II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

## II.2) Description

#### II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 32500000 Telecommunications equipment and supplies
- 32400000 Networks
- 45314000 Installation of telecommunications equipment
- 32000000 Radio, television, communication, telecommunication and related equipment

#### II.2.3) Place of performance

**NUTS** codes

• UKH3 - Essex

Main site or place of performance

Essex

## II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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Further details can be found in tender pack.

#### II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Technical Capability / Weighting: 80

Quality criterion - Name: Social Value / Weighting: 10

Cost criterion - Name: Price / Weighting: 10

#### II.2.6) Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: £500,000

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

**Duration in months** 

84

This contract is subject to renewal

No

#### II.2.9) Information about the limits on the number of candidates to be invited

Envisaged minimum number: 3

Maximum number: 6

Objective criteria for choosing the limited number of candidates:

Shortlisting of Bidders will be based on the scoring undertaken as part of the Selection Questionnaire submission.

#### 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

The contract is initially for 7 years with the option of a further 5 year extension. The contract start date provided is only a guide and the actual contract commencement date will be agreed with the successful contractor.

# Section III. Legal, economic, financial and technical information

# III.1) Conditions for participation

#### III.1.3) Technical and professional ability

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

#### Section IV. Procedure

## IV.1) Description

#### IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Competitive procedure with negotiation

# IV.1.4) Information about reduction of the number of solutions or tenders during negotiation or dialogue

Recourse to staged procedure to gradually reduce the number of solutions to be discussed or tenders to be negotiated

#### 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.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure

Notice number: 2023/S 000-030177

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

Date

24 November 2023

Local time

12:00pm

# IV.2.3) Estimated date of dispatch of invitations to tender or to participate to selected candidates

28 November 2023

#### 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: 3 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)

# **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

The contracting authority considers that this contract may be suitable for economic operators that are small or medium enterprises (SMEs). However, any selection of tenderers will be based solely on the criteria set out for the procurement.

For more information about this opportunity, please visit the Delta eSourcing portal at:

https://www.delta-esourcing.com/tenders/UK-UK-Colchester:-Telecommunications-services./BDW567WP4C

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https://www.delta-esourcing.com/respond/BDW567WP4C

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## VI.4) Procedures for review

# VI.4.1) Review body

The Royal Courts of Justice

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