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## **DAERA - Provision of Arboricultural Operation Services**

DAERA

Department of Agriculture Environment and Rural Affairs NI

F02: Contract notice

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### **Section I: Contracting authority**

#### **I.1) Name and addresses**

DAERA

Inishkeen House

Enniskillen

BT74 3EJ

#### **Email**

[SSDAdmin.CPD@finance-ni.gov.uk](mailto:SSDAdmin.CPD@finance-ni.gov.uk)

#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **Region code**

UK - United Kingdom

#### **Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps>

Buyer's address

<https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps>

## **I.1) Name and addresses**

Department of Agriculture Environment and Rural Affairs NI

Dundonald House

Belfast

BT4 3SB

### **Email**

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## **I.2) Information about joint procurement**

The contract involves joint procurement

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

### **I.3) Communication**

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

<https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

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

### **I.4) Type of the contracting authority**

Body governed by public law

### **I.5) Main activity**

General public services

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## **Section II: Object**

### **II.1) Scope of the procurement**

#### **II.1.1) Title**

DAERA - Provision of Arboricultural Operation Services

Reference number

ID4375300

#### **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**

DAERA - Provision of Arboricultural Operation Services - DAERA and DFI wishes to establish a framework for the provision of the maintenance of all trees in their care within

the following sites: - but may include a small number of other sites throughout NI. • the 3 CAFRE (College of Agriculture, Food and Rural Enterprise) campuses at Enniskillen, Greenmount and Loughry and Glenwherry Hill Farm • 124 Forests throughout Northern Ireland • Northern Ireland Environment Agency owned and managed sites across Northern Ireland and other undetermined sites on private property • DfI Roads and Rivers work sites across Northern Ireland both owned and private lands The Framework will be awarded as a call off, geographically divided into three separate lots. The 6 highest ranking tenderers who pass the evaluation criteria will be listed on the framework for the Lots in which they tendered for. The three lots will consist of two counties each • Lot 1 Fermanagh/ Tyrone • Lot 2 Down/ Armagh • Lot 3 Londonderry/Derry/Antrim

### **II.1.5) Estimated total value**

Value excluding VAT: £4,100,000

### **II.1.6) Information about lots**

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

Tenders may be submitted for maximum number of lots  
3

## **II.2) Description**

### **II.2.1) Title**

Fermanagh/ Tyrone

Lot No

1

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

- 77100000 - Agricultural services
- 77200000 - Forestry services
- 77340000 - Tree pruning and hedge trimming

### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UKN0 - Northern Ireland

#### **II.2.4) Description of the procurement**

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#### **II.2.5) Award criteria**

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 30

Cost criterion - Name: Cost / Weighting: 70

#### **II.2.6) Estimated value**

Value excluding VAT: £1,700,000

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

Duration in months

24

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: Yes

Description of options

Initial 2yr Framework period with options to extend for a further period of 2yrs

### **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) Description**

### **II.2.1) Title**

Down/ Armagh

Lot No

2

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

- 77100000 - Agricultural services
- 77200000 - Forestry services
- 77340000 - Tree pruning and hedge trimming

### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

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### **II.2.5) Award criteria**

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 30

Cost criterion - Name: Cost / Weighting: 70

### **II.2.6) Estimated value**

Value excluding VAT: £1,200,000

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

Duration in months

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No

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### **II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: Yes

Description of options

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### **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) Description**

### **II.2.1) Title**

Londonderry/Derry/Antrim

Lot No

3

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

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- 77200000 - Forestry services
- 77340000 - Tree pruning and hedge trimming

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NUTS codes

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### **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

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### **Section IV. Procedure**

#### **IV.1) Description**

##### **IV.1.1) Type of procedure**

Open procedure

##### **IV.1.3) Information about a framework agreement or a dynamic purchasing system**

The procurement involves the establishment of a framework agreement

Framework agreement with several operators

Envisaged maximum number of participants to the framework agreement: 6

**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

26 January 2023

Local time

3:00pm

**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**

Tender must be valid until: 26 April 2023

**IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders**

Date

26 January 2023

Local time

3:30pm

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## **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 successful Contractor's performance on this Contract will be managed as per the specification and regularly monitored. Contractors not delivering on contract..... requirements is a serious matter. It means the public purse is not getting what it is paying for. If a contractor fails to reach satisfactory..... levels of contract performance they will be given a specified time to improve. If, after the specified time, they still fail to reach.... satisfactory..... levels of contract performance, the matter will be escalated to senior management in CPD for further action. If this.. occurs and your performance does not improve to satisfactory levels within the specified period, this can be considered grounds for.. termination of the contract at your expense as provided for in the Conditions of Contract. In lieu of termination, CPD may issue a Notice.. of Written Warning or a Notice of Unsatisfactory Performance. A supplier in receipt of multiple Notices of Written Warning or a Notice of.. Unsatisfactory Performance may, in accordance with The Public Contracts Regulations 2015 (as amended) be excluded from future public.. procurement competitions for a period of up to three years.

### **VI.4) Procedures for review**

#### **VI.4.1) Review body**

The UK does not have any special review body with responsibility for appeal/mediation procedures in public procurement competitions. Any challenges are dealt with by the High Court Commercial Division to which proceedings may be issued regarding alleged breaches of the Public Contracts Regulation

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Country

United Kingdom

### **VI.4.3) Review procedure**

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

CPD will comply with the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 (as amended) and, where appropriate, will incorporate a standstill period (i.e. a minimum of 10 calendar days) at the point information on the award of... contract is... communicated to tenderers. That notification will provide full information on the award decision