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Planning

Growing Sussex 5G Innovation Region

West Sussex County Council

F01: Prior information notice

Reducing time limits for receipt of tenders

Notice identifier: 2023/S 000-035546

Procurement identifier (OCID): ocids-h6vhtk-042124

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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UKJ27 - West Sussex (South West)

Justification for not providing organisation identifier

Not on any register

Internet address(es)

Main address

www.westsussex.gov.uk

I.3) Communication

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

<https://westsussex-esourcingportal.force.com/s/Welcome>

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

Growing Sussex 5G Innovation Region

Reference number

I-2656

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 32520000 - Telecommunications cable and equipment

II.1.3) Type of contract

Supplies

II.1.4) Short description

West Sussex County Council intends to procure a suitable delivery partner for the design, implementation and operation of a hybrid 5G and advanced wireless network and the delivery of agreed "Use Cases" across three site locations (Growers and Colleges).

The procurement will cover the following activities:

- design, installation and testing of the hybrid 5G and advanced wireless network
- solutions to address the identified "growing" use cases, associated benefits & costs savings
- systems integration to ensure that the Use Case solutions and the network work together
- capacity to deliver further Use Cases to expand the scope of the project over time
- support for the colleges and growers to implement the Use Cases
- hardware, software and devices to support the network and the Use Cases
- ongoing maintenance & support

participation in showcasing and network events at the college and grower sites and development of playbooks to encourage further use and innovation

- an ecosystem of innovation partners to bring further value and showcase the advanced wireless network

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £3,000,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 32412100 - Telecommunications network

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKJ - South East (England)

Main site or place of performance

West Sussex

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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wireless network.

The opportunity will be open to all suitably qualified suppliers able to deliver the requirements over the long term, either as single suppliers or as a prime contractor utilizing third parties/ partners to deliver some of the elements.

In terms of timescales, the council intends to start a procurement in Jan 2024 with a view to awarding a contract by March / April 2024. The awarded supplier would then be expected to deliver the advanced wireless infrastructure and use case implementation at all the sites, in time for the start of the academic year in Sept 2024. It is anticipated that the term of the contract will be for 3 years, with a requirement to spend the DSIT funding in the first 18 months.

There may be opportunities during the contract period to add additional site locations if further funding is acquired.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

II.2.6) Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: £3,000,000

II.2.14) Additional information

Please also see Request for Information on Contracts Finder linked below which contains further details about this project:

<https://www.contractsfinder.service.gov.uk/Notice/dc83efed-0a94-44a6-9df9-13db0ccbb903>

II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

22 January 2024

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

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 a single operator

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.2.5) Scheduled date for start of award procedures

1 March 2024

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

High Court

London

Country

United Kingdom