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## **Accelerating Affordable Gigabit Fibre - Neutral Host Operator**

Bournemouth Christchurch and Poole Council

F02: Contract notice

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

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

Bournemouth Christchurch and Poole Council

BCP Council, Civic Centre, Bourne Avenue

Bournemouth

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Strategic Procurement Team

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#### **Country**

United Kingdom

**Region code**

UKK24 - Bournemouth, Christchurch and Poole

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://www.bcpCouncil.gov.uk>

Buyer's address

<https://www.supplyingthesouthwest.org.uk/>

**I.3) Communication**

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

<https://www.supplyingthesouthwest.org.uk/>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

<https://www.supplyingthesouthwest.org.uk/>

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

Regional or local authority

**I.5) Main activity**

General public services

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## **Section II: Object**

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

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

Accelerating Affordable Gigabit Fibre - Neutral Host Operator

Reference number

DN603494

#### **II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 64000000 - Postal and telecommunications services

#### **II.1.3) Type of contract**

Services

#### **II.1.4) Short description**

Bournemouth, Christchurch and Poole (BCP) Council aims to deliver a preeminent Gigabit connected region for its residents and businesses, and is seeking a Neutral Host Operator (NHO) to establish itself within the BCP area to help meet this goal.

Bournemouth, Christchurch and Poole (BCP) Council has developed a Smart Place Strategy with a clear focus on generating local value, helping to tackle key challenges across Bournemouth, Christchurch and Poole. Whether making it easier for people to go about their daily lives, improving the prospects of our local businesses or enabling communities to function more effectively, combining information, data and emerging digital technologies will deliver considerable benefits for our area.

One of the core underpinning technologies that will enable our Smart Place to become reality is Gigabit fibre deployed across the whole of the BCP region. Gigabit fibre is critical digital infrastructure, providing the connectivity backbone for many vital public, private and voluntary services and helping to power our businesses and local economy as well as supporting our Smart Place Programme. The provision of ubiquitous, high speed, affordable Gigabit connectivity is therefore now a priority for the Council.

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

Value excluding VAT: £1

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

This contract is divided into lots: No

## **II.2) Description**

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

- 45314000 - Installation of telecommunications equipment
- 72000000 - IT services: consulting, software development, Internet and support

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

NUTS codes

- UKK24 - Bournemouth, Christchurch and Poole

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

The model the Council is seeking to implement aims to decouple the passive or physical fibre infrastructure from the services delivered on it, creating a market for fibre ownership beyond telecom companies, and allowing a range of investors who are familiar with infrastructure and property investments, including the public sector to invest. It also lowers the barriers of entry to market for service providers. These service providers include providers of internet service (ISPs) and also those who require access to data networks in order to deliver a range of services: mobile phone (5G) operators, wireless ISPs, security & CCTV through to education and health services.

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

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 90

Price - Weighting: 10

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

Value excluding VAT: £1

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

Duration in months

120

This contract is subject to renewal

No

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

Maximum number: 3

### **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**

II.1.5 and II.2.6 The estimated revenue value is stated as £1, as the estimation is not know at this time and it will be negotiated as a Commercial in the Negotiation Phase.

II.2.7 the contract duration is stated as 120 months, however this will be subject to negotiation in the Timeline in the Negotiation Phase.

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

### **III.1) Conditions for participation**

#### **III.1.2) Economic and financial standing**

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

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

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

### **III.2) Conditions related to the contract**

#### **III.2.3) Information about staff responsible for the performance of the contract**

Obligation to indicate the names and professional qualifications of the staff assigned to performing the contract

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## **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: [2022/S 000-007990](#)

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

Date

20 January 2023

Local time

2:00pm

#### **IV.2.4) Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted**

English

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.1) Information about recurrence**

This is a recurrent procurement: No

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

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

High Courts of Justice

The Royal Court of Justice

London

WCA 2LL

Country

United Kingdom

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

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

In accordance with Regulation 86 (notices of decisions to award a contract), Regulation 87

(standstill period) and Regulations 91 (enforcement of duties through the Court) of the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 (as amended).

### **VI.4.4) Service from which information about the review procedure may be obtained**

High Courts of Justice

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London

WCA 2LL

Country

United Kingdom