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Award

Architect Appointment - CoLP ??Tactical Firearms Training Facility?

The Mayor and Commonalty and Citizens of the City of London

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Scope

Description

The CoLC, in collaboration with CoLC of London Police (CoLP) are undertaking a project to build a Tactical Firearm Training Facility (TFTF). A suitable site owned by CoLC at Dagenham Dock has been identified. A feasibility study was undertaken to determine the viability of the site, to evaluate cost and programme differences as well as assessing the pros and cons of either a full traditional build approach or full modular scheme to provide the new TFTF. In conclusion, it was determined that a combination of both traditional and modular design solutions is to be considered as the favoured approach to provide the most efficient and operationally effective solution.

The design scheme produced during the feasibility study is to progress from RIBA stages 1 to 3, however elements of this design are incomplete and there is a requirement for the appointed design team to review the existing information/design and provide appropriate advice/expertise as to what extent the current packages are progressed further to provide a complete RIBA stage 1 and review then progress RIBA stage 2 and 3 design before commencing the RIBA stage 4.

This appointment is for Architect services which include the below core services:

A. Act as an Architect and Lead Designer for the project during RIBA Stage 1-4. Acting as the client monitoring agent post RIBA stage 4 to completion.

B. Develop the full traditional design and specification to RIBA Stages 1-3; Procurement Strategy of Stage 1 of Two Stage Procurement, Tender Documentation of Stage 1 and Tender Action; and Procurement Strategy of Stage 2 of Two Stage Procurement, Documentation Review of Stage 2 and Tender Action.

Ensure designs are compliant with: all relevant building and safety regulations including building and fire regulation.

D. Advise on any exclusions and fees for any additional deliverables

E. If necessary draft applications and engage in negotiations for building permissions and all approvals as necessary (e.g. Planning, Building Control, Network Rail, Party Wall awards, Access licences, etc.)

F. So far as is reasonably practicable, take account of any proposals for legislation published by government or the European Union or legislation which is enacted but not yet brought into force, insofar as it is likely to affect the architectural design of the Development or the cost in use of the Development.

G. Consult with the CoLC as to whether and if so, how such prospective legislative change should be taken into account in the architectural design of the Development.

Individuals working on this project must have received their Non-Police Personal Vetting level 3 and Security Clearance.

Contract 1. Architect Services for CoLP Tactical Firearms Training Facility

Supplier

- [BLUE SKY DESIGN SERVICES LIMITED](#)

Contract value

- £374,900 excluding VAT
- £449,880 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Award decision date

1 July 2025

Date assessment summaries were sent to tenderers

1 July 2025

Standstill period

- End: 10 July 2025
- 8 working days

Earliest date the contract will be signed

15 July 2025

Contract dates (estimated)

- 18 July 2025 to 20 October 2028
- 3 years, 3 months, 3 days

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 71530000 - Construction consultancy services

Contract locations

- UKI - London

Information about tenders

- 5 tenders received
- 3 tenders assessed in the final stage:
 - 3 submitted by small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)
 - 0 submitted by voluntary, community and social enterprises (VCSE)
- 1 supplier awarded contracts
- 2 suppliers unsuccessful (details included for contracts over £5 million)

Procedure

Procedure type

Open procedure

Supplier

BLUE SKY DESIGN SERVICES LIMITED

- Companies House: 06235182
- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PVHC-4661-PNJR

Building 1000, Kings Reach, Yew Street

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SK4 2HD

United Kingdom

Email: info@blueskyarchitects.co.uk

Region: UKD35 - Greater Manchester South East

Small or medium-sized enterprise (SME): Yes

Voluntary, community or social enterprise (VCSE): No

Supported employment provider: No

Public service mutual: No

Connected people/organisations:

Michael Dwan

British

November 1959

Person with significant control

Building 1000, Kings Reach, Yew Street, Stockport, SK4 2HD, UK

Associated people/organisations:

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Contracting authority

The Mayor and Commonalty and Citizens of the City of London

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Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government