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Contract

Corporate Catering & Events Concession

Bristol City Council

F03: Contract award notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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Bristol

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Region code

UKK11 - Bristol, City of

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Main address

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Buyer's address

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

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

Corporate Catering & Events Concession

Reference number

DN730398

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 55520000 - Catering services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Bristol City Council (BCC) is looking to engage a single concessionaire with specialist food industry expertise to assume delivery responsibility for cafés, catering and event / function services across a number of venues expected to include, but not limited to:

- City Hall
- Bristol Museum and Art Gallery (BMAG)
- M Shed
- Central Library
- Create Centre
- Ashton Court Estate (Courtyard Café, Golf Café & Gold Ticket Office)
- Hengrove Play Park: Beach Hut Cafe
- Blaise Plant Nursery: Plant Cafe
- Blaise Castle Estate: Blaise Cafe
- Café kiosks: Canford Park, Oldbury Court Estate, St Georges Park: Bake Box Kiosk

The contract allows for a clause to add further sites as they are required.

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.1.7) Total value of the procurement (excluding VAT)

Value excluding VAT: £86,000,000

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKK11 - Bristol, City of

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Bristol City Council (BCC) sought to engage a single concessionaire with specialist food industry expertise to assume delivery responsibility for cafés, catering and event / function services across a number of venues expected to include, but not limited to:

- City Hall
- Bristol Museum and Art Gallery (BMAG)
- M Shed
- Central Library
- Create Centre
- Ashton Court Estate (Courtyard Café, Golf Café & Gold Ticket Office)
- Hengrove Play Park: Beach Hut Cafe
- Blaise Plant Nursery: Plant Cafe
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The procurement process was conducted in accordance with the requirements of the Concessionary Contract Regulations 2016 ("CCR"). Specifically, the council followed a process similar to the Competitive Dialogue procedure described in the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 (as amended) ("PCR") in terms of a process which allowed the council to shortlist suitable candidates on the basis of those who pass the Selection Questionnaire, engage with and discuss solutions with the bidders, before awarding the contract to the bidder offering the most economically advantageous tender.

However, under the CCR, the council is not bound by the strict formalities or rules governing Competitive Dialogue in the PCR and is able to adapt and change that process within the flexibilities provided in Regulation 37 CCR.

The procurement process was formed of three principal stages: Selection Questionnaire (SQ), Invitation to Participate in Dialogue and Invitation to Tender. The award criteria detailed in this notice relate to the Invitation to Tender stage.

The contract is for 10 years with the option to extend for a further 3 years.

As per the Regulation 9 (3) of the CCR, the value of a concession contract shall be the total turnover of the concessionaire generated over the duration of the contract, net of value added tax, as estimated by the contracting authority or utility, in consideration for the works and services which are the object of the concession contract and for the supplies incidental to such works and services. The estimated full life value of this contract, including extensions, is £77,234,007

Initial term = 01/07/2025 to 30/06/2035 (est £54,843,447)

Optional Extensions = 3 x 12 months (est £22,390,559)

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 40

Quality criterion - Name: Social Value / Weighting: 10

Price - Weighting: 50

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

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Competitive dialogue

IV.1.8) Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: No

IV.2) Administrative information

IV.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure

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Section V. Award of contract

Contract No

DN730398

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

30 June 2025

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 6

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Compass Contract Services (UK) Limited trading as Restaurant Associates Venues

Birmingham

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKK11 - Bristol, City of

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.4) Information on value of contract/lot (excluding VAT)

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot: £86,000,000

Total value of the contract/lot: £54,843,447

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Bristol District Registry of the High Court

Bristol

Country

United Kingdom