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Contract

## **Supply of permanent nutrient neutrality mitigation in Cumbria via upgrades to septic tanks**

Westmorland and Furness Council

F03: Contract award notice

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

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

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#### **Country**

United Kingdom

**Region code**

UKD12 - East Cumbria

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

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

Buyer's address

<https://www.westmorlandandfurness.gov.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**

Supply of permanent nutrient neutrality mitigation in Cumbria via upgrades to septic tanks

Reference number

DN764440

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

- 45330000 - Plumbing and sanitary works

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

Works

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

Westmorland and Furness Council, together with Cumberland Council and the Lake District National Park, established the Nutrient Neutrality North West partnership to drive a Cumbria-wide approach to addressing nutrient neutrality in the four affected catchments (River Derwent and Bassenthwaite Lake SAC, River Eden SAC, River Kent SAC and Esthwaite Water Ramsar). Two of the main aims are to identify and promote delivery of practical mitigation options in the catchments to unlock new housing developments and establish a process to offer mitigation options through nutrient credit trading. Following the award of a significant grant under the Government's Local Nutrient Mitigation Fund (LNMF), the council is now seeking to procure suitably qualified and experienced contractors to support the delivery of nutrient (phosphorous) credits through a programme of upgrading private septic tanks across the four catchments, which can then be traded through a credit scheme to be launched in the second half of 2025.

#### **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: £10,500,000

### **II.2) Description**

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

NUTS codes

- UKD12 - East Cumbria

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

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

Cost criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 60

### **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

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## **Section IV. Procedure**

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

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

Open procedure

#### **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: [2025/S 000-006338](#)

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## **Section V. Award of contract**

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

### **V.2) Award of contract**

#### **V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract**

30 April 2025

#### **V.2.2) Information about tenders**

Number of tenders received: 2

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: Yes

#### **V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor**

Burrow Environmental

Dorchester

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKD12 - East Cumbria

The contractor is an SME

Yes

**V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor**

Our Rivers (Cumbria) Ltd

Newport

TF10 8AY

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKD12 - East Cumbria

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £10,500,000

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**Section VI. Complementary information**

**VI.4) Procedures for review**

**VI.4.1) Review body**

Royal Courts of Justice

London

Country

United Kingdom

