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Tender

TMBC Landscape Evidence Tender

Tonbridge & Malling Borough Council

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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Region code

UKJ46 - West Kent

Internet address(es)

Main address

www.tmbc.gov.uk

Buyer's address

www.tmbc.gov.uk

I.3) Communication

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

www.kentbusinessportal.org.uk

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

www.kentbusinessportal.org.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

TMBC Landscape Evidence Tender

Reference number

DN752168

II.1.2) Main CPV code

• 79000000 - Business services: law, marketing, consulting, recruitment, printing and security

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

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Key Dates & Timeline for Procurement

Tender release: Friday 15 November 2024

Expression of Interest Deadline: 12:00pm Friday 13 December 2024

Deadline for submission of completed tenders: 12:00pm Friday 20 December 2024

Evaluation: w/c 6 January 2025

Appointment of contractor: w/c 20 January 2025

** PLEASE NOTE: All expressions of interest, and subsequent correspondence and submissions, must be received via the Kent Business Portal (<u>www.kentbusinessportal.org.uk</u>) **

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

UKJ46 - West Kent

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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II.2.5) Award criteria

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

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

Duration in months

12

This contract is subject to renewal

No

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

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

Date

20 December 2024

Local time

12:00pm

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

English

IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders

Date

20 December 2024

Local time

12:30pm

Place

The electronic tender box will be unsealed at the stated time. Tenderers are able to request attendance at the unsealing process, which will be conducted via Microsoft Teams

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

Tonbridge 7 Malling Legal Services

West Malling

Country

United Kingdom