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Contract

Provision of a Highways Verges, Amenity Land and Specialist Grass Cutting Service

Blackburn with Darwen Borough Council

F03: Contract award notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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Country

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Region code

UKD41 - Blackburn with Darwen

Internet address(es)

Main address

<http://www.blackburn.gov.uk/>

Buyer's address

<http://www.blackburn.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

Provision of a Highways Verges, Amenity Land and Specialist Grass Cutting Service

Reference number

DN764813

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 77000000 - Agricultural, forestry, horticultural, aquacultural and apicultural services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Lot 1 - Volume grass cutting across Blackburn with Darwen (Highway verges, amenity land, community centres, children play centres, roundabouts and motorway junctions)

Lot 2- Cutting of rural verges and hedges across Blackburn with Darwen

Lot 3 - Cutting of highway verges on the A6119

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

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

Value excluding VAT: £360,000

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Volume grass cutting across Blackburn with Darwen

Lot No

1

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 77000000 - Agricultural, forestry, horticultural, aquacultural and apicultural services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKD41 - Blackburn with Darwen

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Volume grass cutting across Blackburn with Darwen (Highway verges, amenity land, community centres, children play centres, roundabouts and motorway junctions)

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Social Value / Weighting: 15

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 35

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

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Cutting of rural verges and hedges across Blackburn with Darwen

Lot No

2

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 77000000 - Agricultural, forestry, horticultural, aquacultural and apicultural services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKD41 - Blackburn with Darwen

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Cutting of rural verges and hedges across Blackburn with Darwen.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Social Value / Weighting: 15

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 35

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

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Cutting of highway verges on the A6119

Lot No

3

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 77000000 - Agricultural, forestry, horticultural, aquacultural and apicultural services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKD41 - Blackburn with Darwen

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Cutting of highway verges on the A6119.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Social Value / Weighting: 15

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 35

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

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

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Section V. Award of contract

Lot No

1

Title

Volume grass cutting across Blackburn with Darwen

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

28 May 2025

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 2

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Grounds, Gardens & Trees Ltd

Unit A1, Bradkirk Business Park, Weeton Road

Preston

PR4 3FZ

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKD45 - Mid Lancashire

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £165,000

Section V. Award of contract

Lot No

2

Title

Cutting of rural verges and hedges across Blackburn with Darwen

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

28 May 2025

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 4

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Ribble Limited

CHANDLER HOUSE, 7 FERRY ROAD OFFICE PARK

Preston

PR2 2YH

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKD45 - Mid Lancashire

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £12,000

Section V. Award of contract

Lot No

3

Title

Cutting of highway verges on the A6119

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

28 May 2025

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 3

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Grounds, Gardens & Trees Ltd

Unit A1, Bradkirk Business Park, Weeton Road, Wesham

Preston

PR4 3FZ

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKD45 - Mid Lancashire

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £33,000

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Blackburn with Darwen Borough Council

Town Hall, King William Street

Blackburn

BB1 7DY

Country

United Kingdom