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## **CVLR City Centre First Contractor**

Coventry City Council

F02: Contract notice

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The closing date and time has been changed to:

**31 January 2024 - no time specified**

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## **Section I: Contracting authority**

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

Coventry City Council

Council House, Earl Street

COVENTRY

CV15RR

### **Contact**

Procurement Services

### **Email**

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**Telephone**

+44 2476831163

**Country**

United Kingdom

**Region code**

UKG33 - Coventry

**Justification for not providing organisation identifier**

Not on any register

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

[www.coventry.gov.uk](http://www.coventry.gov.uk)

**I.3) Communication**

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

[www.csv-jets.co.uk](http://www.csv-jets.co.uk)

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

[www.csv-jets.co.uk](http://www.csv-jets.co.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

CVLR City Centre First Contractor

Reference number

COV-17830

#### II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 45000000 - Construction work

#### II.1.3) Type of contract

Works

#### II.1.4) Short description

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One key project in this drive for modal shift is the Coventry Very Light Rail (VLR) project. This project is to develop a VLR product that can be manufactured predominantly in the West Midlands that will drive modal shift within small to medium size urban environments, consistent with many cities within the UK where a standard tram system would not be economically feasible.

This system will be a low capital cost for installation and will be environmentally clean at the point of use, which will have a positive impact on air quality, this modal shift is designed to reduce congestion, and as a result, open up the city for investment especially along the route. Please see - <https://www.coventry.gov.uk/verylightrail> for more background on the project.

Following the procurement and delivery of Coventry Very Light Rail (CVLR) test tracks at locations in Whitley, Coventry (TP1) and Dudley (TP2); the Council is preparing to deliver the next project stage of delivering a City Centre First demonstrator. City Centre First will be a test track facility constructed in a live environment and will be made up of a combination of single track and double track lengths. The purpose of the City Centre First is to prove the assertions made during the development phase of the track form in the real-

world environment. City Centre First is broken into 2 sections (Phases) of approximately equal length (800m each).

#### **II.1.5) Estimated total value**

Value excluding VAT: £25,896,000

#### **II.1.6) Information about lots**

This contract is divided into lots: No

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

#### **II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 34946000 - Railway-track construction materials and supplies

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

NUTS codes

- UKG33 - Coventry

Main site or place of performance

City of Coventry, England

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

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This procurement is to award a contract for a contractor to deliver the construction of City Centre First Phase 1 (and potentially extend to cover the construction of Phase 2) . The scope will include:

- construction of phase 1 of the test track (and phase 2 if extended)
- construction of a cycle lane
- the ordering of materials for Phase 1 as required by the Council for the construction (and phase 2 if extended)

Please see the Standard Questionnaire and accompanying Works Information at [www.csv-jets.co.uk](http://www.csv-jets.co.uk) for more details on the procurement / requirement.

#### **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**

Start date

3 June 2024

End date

31 December 2025

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

Option to extend the contract will be included to cover phase 2 if the Council proceeds

with phase 2. Please see the Standard Questionnaire at [www.csw-jets.co.uk](http://www.csw-jets.co.uk) for more details.

#### **II.2.9) Information about the limits on the number of candidates to be invited**

Envisaged minimum number: 1

Maximum number: 3

Objective criteria for choosing the limited number of candidates:

The Council reserves the right to invite more than the maximum number given if certain criteria is met. Please see the Standard Questionnaire at [www.csw-jets.co.uk](http://www.csw-jets.co.uk) for more details.

#### **II.2.10) Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: No

#### **II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: No

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### **Section III. Legal, economic, financial and technical information**

#### **III.1) Conditions for participation**

##### **III.1.2) Economic and financial standing**

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

##### **III.1.3) Technical and professional ability**

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

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## 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: Yes

### IV.2) Administrative information

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

Originally published as:

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24 January 2024

Local time

12:00pm

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Date

31 January 2024

See the [change notice](#).

#### IV.2.3) Estimated date of dispatch of invitations to tender or to participate to selected candidates

5 February 2024

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

English

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.1) Information about recurrence**

This is a recurrent procurement: No

### **VI.2) Information about electronic workflows**

Electronic invoicing will be accepted

Electronic payment will be used

### **VI.4) Procedures for review**

#### **VI.4.1) Review body**

Coventry City Council Legal Services

Coventry

Country

United Kingdom