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Contract

Contract to provide Arboriculture Services to Swale Borough Council as required - A756

Swale Borough Council

F20: Modification notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-02b5c5

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Section I: Contracting authority/entity

I.1) Name and addresses

Swale Borough Council

Swale House, East Street

SITTINGBOURNE

ME10 3HT

Email

procurement@swale.gov.uk

Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UKJ4 - Kent

Dun & Bradstreet

239842768

Internet address(es)

Main address

<https://swale.gov.uk/>

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Contract to provide Arboriculture Services to Swale Borough Council as required - A756

II.1.2) Main CPV code

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

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKJ4 - Kent

Main site or place of performance

Swale

II.2.4) Description of the procurement at the time of conclusion of the contract:

Provision of Arboriculture Services across Swale Borough Council areas.

The Arboriculture Contractor will provide a suitably resourced team who will be qualified for the tasks they will carry out with van, chipper, saws etc. to carry out an estimated minimum

of one day per week with a climbing team and ground works team.

Swale Borough Council will provide the Contractor with a list of works for this team and prioritise their workload. This work is to be tracked via an agreed management system.

The contract will commence on 15 January 2022 and terminate on 14 January 2027.

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

Duration in months

60

Section IV. Procedure

IV.2) Administrative information

IV.2.1) Contract award notice concerning this contract

Notice number: [2021/S 000-030731](#)

Section V. Award of contract/concession

Contract No

A756

Title

Contract to provide Arboriculture Services to Swale Borough Council as required

V.2) Award of contract/concession

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract/concession award decision:

12 October 2021

V.2.2) Information about tenders

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor/concessionaire

Elite Arborists

Maidstone

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKJ4 - Kent

Companies House

09486869

The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

Yes

V.2.4) Information on value of the contract/lot/concession (at the time of conclusion of the contract;excluding VAT)

Total value of the procurement: £218,400

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

The High Court

Royal Courts of Justice, Strand

London

WC2A 2LL

Country

United Kingdom

Section VII: Modifications to the contract/concession

VII.1) Description of the procurement after the modifications

VII.1.1) Main CPV code

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

VII.1.3) Place of performance

NUTS code

- UKJ4 - Kent

VII.1.4) Description of the procurement:

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VII.1.5) Duration of the contract, framework agreement, dynamic purchasing system or concession

Duration in months

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VII.1.6) Information on value of the contract/lot/concession (excluding VAT)

Total value of the contract/lot/concession:

£218,400

VII.1.7) Name and address of the contractor/concessionaire

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VII.2) Information about modifications

VII.2.1) Description of the modifications

Nature and extent of the modifications (with indication of possible earlier changes to the contract):

CPI, unplanned works, emergency works due to storms

VII.2.2) Reasons for modification

Need for additional works, services or supplies by the original contractor/concessionaire.

Description of the economic or technical reasons and the inconvenience or duplication of cost preventing a change of contractor:

Higher than predicted inflation - 11.1% CPI in 2023 - increase of £3463.20.

Significantly higher severe weather events in 2023-24 compared to previous years requiring emergency works. Not feasible to undertake a procurement process and due diligence checks for emergency works that cause a health and safety risk requiring an urgent response.

Additional funding received from The Forestry Commission Local Authority Tree Fund - £31,504.60 to plant 10,798 trees.

VII.2.3) Increase in price

Updated total contract value before the modifications (taking into account possible earlier contract modifications, price adaptations and average inflation)

Value excluding VAT: £218,400

Total contract value after the modifications

Value excluding VAT: £327,000