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Contract

Tamar Crossings - Painting, Paint Inspection & Maintenance Support Services

Cornwall Council

Plymouth City Council

F03: Contract award notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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Region code

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Main address

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I.1) Name and addresses

Plymouth City Council

Plymouth

Email

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Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UKK41 - Plymouth

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Main address

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I.2) Information about joint procurement

The contract involves joint procurement

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

Tamar Crossings - Painting, Paint Inspection & Maintenance Support Services

Reference number

DN737028

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 45442120 - Painting and protective-coating work of structures

II.1.3) Type of contract

Works

II.1.4) Short description

Contract award for Painting, Paint Inspection & Maintenance Support Services at Tamar Crossings

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: £7,378,750

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 63712310 - Bridge operating services
- 45442121 - Painting work of structures

- 71631450 - Bridge-inspection services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKK3 - Cornwall and Isles of Scilly
- UKK4 - Devon

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Tamar Crossings and Cornwall Council, on behalf of the parent authorities of Cornwall Council and Plymouth City Council, invites tender submissions, from experienced contractors to provide a wide range of maintenance and support services to the engineering function at Tamar Crossings. The maximum opportunity of this contract is for a period of 10 years, comprising of an initial 4 year contract term, which may be followed by up to two optional extension clauses, the first of which is 4 years and then a further for 2 years providing the maximum opportunity of 10 years.

Prospective Contractors will be required to confirm they currently hold the following key Quality based, Industry recognised Accreditation requirements (or equivalents), and maintain these throughout the life of the contract:

- ISO9001 (Quality Management Systems)
- ISO14001 (Environmental Management Systems)
- ISO45001 (Occupational Health and Safety Management Systems)
- NHSS19A (National Highways Sector Scheme for Highways Painting)
- ICATS registered (Industrial Coatings Applicator Training Scheme)

The Form of Contract will be an NEC4 Term Service Short Contract. It should be noted that there will be no minimum guaranteed volume of work and future works will be dependent on maintenance inspections, budget restraints etc. Work is instructed by the client, based on a schedule contractual rate which vary depending on skill levels utilised. For example the general litter picking rate might be the lowest hourly rate and specialist paint inspections services might be the highest hourly rate.

The incumbent contractor currently has between 4-12 personnel working on site daily throughout the year. This will vary depending on client requirements, budget provisions, availability of work, and weather.

It is anticipated that TUPE staff transfers will apply.

Below is a list of the typical services that are required under the contract –

- Inspection support for Tamar Bridge inspectors
- Contract support services –paint inspection, rope access inspection, ferry operations
- Maintenance painting to buildings, structures or ferries
- Minor structural repairs – replacing damaged drainage, parapet mesh panels and more
- Clearance of Debris and detritus across the Tamar Crossings Estate
- Rope access services – painting, difficult access inspections, inspection support
- Provision of other special access requirements – access towers, mobile platforms
- Confined space work
- Vegetation clearance
- General labour support – ferry chain replacement, ferry gantry maintenance
- Occasional overnight or weekend working requirements, where necessary.

The approximate breakdown of works by location are typically 85% at the Bridge, 15% at the Ferry.

The typical breakdown by activity is as follows. However, it should be noted that this may change to suit client requirements and it is only intended to give a general indication of the requirements -

- 30% Maintenance Painting
- 20% Miscellaneous maintenance
- 10% Work at height/rope access works –inspections, painting, other maintenance
- 15% Inspection support/other Contractor support
- 10% General labour support
- 5% Paint inspection

- 5% Vegetation clearance
- 5% Debris/Detritus clearance

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 50

Quality criterion - Name: Social Value / Weighting: 15

Price - Weighting: 35

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

Contract No

DN737028

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

5 August 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

Paintel Limited

Plymouth

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKK41 - Plymouth

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £7,378,750

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Cornwall Council

Truro

Country

United Kingdom