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Tender

Invitation to replace and fit electric drive systems for the Liana and Ra trip boats

Broads Authority

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Scope

Description

The Authority operates the electric trip boats Ra and Liana on the River Bure, offering interpretive trips to the public as part of its National Park second purpose activities.

The Authority is seeking a contractor to replace the existing drive systems of the vessels to improve performance and reliability.

Total value (estimated)

- £65,000 excluding VAT
- £78,000 including VAT

Below the relevant threshold

Contract dates (estimated)

- 3 November 2025 to 6 March 2026
- 4 months, 4 days

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 50244000 - Reconditioning services of ships or boats

Contract locations

- UKH - East of England

Participation

Particular suitability

Small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)

Submission

Enquiry deadline

26 August 2025, 11:59pm

Tender submission deadline

3 September 2025, 5:00pm

Submission address and any special instructions

Further details can be found on <https://www.broads-authority.gov.uk/about-us/how-we-work/transparency/invitations-to-tender>

Tenders must be returned to: tenders@broads-authority.gov.uk

Email subject must read "Invitation to tender for Ra & Liana Retrofit"

Tenders may be submitted electronically

Yes

Award criteria

Tenders will be evaluated using a method known as MAT (most advantageous tender). A panel of the Authority' Officers will undertake the evaluation process. The Authority will consider both quality and price in the evaluation of tenders. These reflect the relative importance and are scored as follows:

Criteria and maximum Score Available

Price (excluding VAT) 60

Technical specification 20

Trade references 10

Social Value 10

Total 100

The full evaluation methodology breakdown and the factors to be considered in judging the award criteria are set out below.

Price - The calculation that will be used is as follows:

Score = $\text{Lowest Tender Price} / \text{Tender Price} \times 60$ (maximum mark available)

Technical specification - Where there is an exact match to the specification in 4.2 and 4.3, the maximum score will be awarded. Where the match is 80% the score will be 16, 60% the score will be 12, 40% the score will be 8.

Trade references - Where both trade references are received the maximum score will be awarded. Where only one is received the score will reduce to 5.

Social Value - Where five statements or policies are provided the maximum score will be awarded, this will be reduced by 2% for each area not covered.

The Potential Provider that achieves the highest total score will be awarded the Contract.

If two or more Potential Providers obtain the highest total score, the Potential Provider with the highest score for the Price element will be deemed the winner and awarded the Contract.

If the Authority receives only one Tender, the Potential Provider will be awarded the Contract provided that they meet the Minimum Total Score of 70.

Procedure

Procedure type

Below threshold - open competition

Documents

Associated tender documents

<https://www.broads-authority.gov.uk/about-us/how-we-work/transparency/invitations-to-tender>

See website for tender pack and how to apply

Contracting authority

Broads Authority

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Region: UKH15 - Norwich and East Norfolk

Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government