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## **T2537 - Security guarding and event stewarding services**

Belfast City Council

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### **Scope**

### **Reference**

T2537

### **Description**

The requirement is split into the following 4 lots:

- Lot 1 - Manned security guarding services
- Lot 2 - Event stewarding services
- Lot 3 - Key holding services
- Lot 4 - Mobile stewarding/ patrolling services

In line with instructions provided the Council has appointed a single Bidder for each for Lot the provision of the Deliverables.

## **Lot 1. Manned security guarding services**

### **Description**

Lot 1 Services will provide static manned guarding security services to support the safety of Council employee's, Elected Members, suppliers, contractors and members of the public and the protection of Premises

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## **Lot 2. Event stewarding services**

### **Description**

Lot 2 Services will provide event stewarding and security services to support crowd safety and the protection of people and property at events and public gatherings organised by, or on behalf of the Council.

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## **Lot 3. Key holding services**

### **Description**

Lot 3 Services provides key holding services to cover for incidents and activations outside of the normal operating hours of fire alarms, security alarms and any other occurrences.

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## **Lot 4. Mobile stewarding/ patrolling services**

## **Description**

Lot 4 Services provides mobile patrolling services to primarily cover stewarding/patrolling service at the Council's public toilets/conveniences located throughout the city with the aim to reduce anti-social behaviour and promote safety of staff and members of the public.

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## **Contract 1. Lot 1 – Manned security guarding services**

### **Lots**

Lot 1. Manned security guarding services

### **Supplier**

- Bidvest Noonan (UK) Ltd

### **Contract value**

- £1,700,000 excluding VAT
- £2,040,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

### **Award decision date**

29 August 2025

## **Date assessment summaries were sent to tenderers**

29 August 2025

## **Earliest date the contract will be signed**

11 September 2025

## **Contract dates (estimated)**

- 1 November 2025 to 31 October 2026
- Possible extension to 31 October 2027
- 2 years

Description of possible extension:

The Council reserves the right to extend/renew the Contract up to a further 1 year. Any extension may be subject to further approval by Council Committee, availability of funding and satisfactory performance of the Contractor.

## **Main procurement category**

Services

## **Options**

The right to additional purchases while the contract is valid.

The Council reserves the right to add the following additional requirements to the Service under this Contract during the Contract Period: -

- Other related security/event stewarding type services related to the Premises/Service that are not already included for (e.g. consideration of technology replacement instead of

manned guarding, event support, event set up/tidy up, security consultancy/ planning) provided the Contractor has the capacity, capability and suitably experience to provide the additional services at the time of being required.

- Additional Premises/events not listed. This may be in response to additional Premises/events being identified and/or changes in how the Council's in house security services are resourced and delivered.
- Temporary support for the Council's in house operations to cover any shortfall in available resources.
- Introduce required changes associated with the Service to the Specification to accommodate changes to the Council's operational model and working practices e.g. functional re-structuring, new customer hub, insourcing/outsourcing strategies etc;
- Major incident/ one off events support
- Use of the Contract by other subsidiaries, affiliates and externally operated venues/ sites associated with the Council 'Others' (e.g. Belfast and Waterfront Hall, Community Hubs, Leisure Centres, Business Parks, Visit Belfast etc).
- Large scale projects or changes may be subject to price negotiation based on economies of scale. The Council reserves the right to explore/ use other procurement options in all circumstances where VFM is not demonstrated.

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Any contract variation may be subject to further Council internal approvals and be in accordance with the provisions of the Procurement Act.

## **CPV classifications**

- 79710000 - Security services

## **Contract locations**

- UKN06 - Belfast
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## **Contract 2. Lot 2 – Event stewarding services**

### **Lots**

Lot 2. Event stewarding services

### **Supplier**

- Eventsec Ltd

### **Contract value**

- £500,000 excluding VAT
- £600,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

### **Award decision date**

29 August 2025

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29 August 2025

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## **Contract 3. Lot 3 – Key holding services**

### **Lots**

Lot 3. Key holding services



## **Supplier**

- Cobra Specialist Security Services

## **Contract value**

- £150,000 excluding VAT
- £180,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

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- 79710000 - Security services

### **Contract locations**

- UKN06 - Belfast
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## **Contract 4. Lot 4 – Mobile stewarding/ patrolling services**

### **Lots**

Lot 4. Mobile stewarding/ patrolling services

### **Supplier**

- Cobra Specialist Security Services

### **Contract value**

- £250,000 excluding VAT

- £300,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

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29 August 2025

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## **Information about tenders**

### **Lot 1. Manned security guarding services**

- 8 tenders received
  - 6 tenders assessed in the final stage:
    - 2 submitted by small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)
    - 0 submitted by voluntary, community and social enterprises (VCSE)
  - 1 supplier awarded contracts
  - 5 suppliers unsuccessful (details included for contracts over £5 million)
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### **Lot 2. Event stewarding services**

- 5 tenders received
- 3 tenders assessed in the final stage:
  - 1 submitted by small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)
  - 0 submitted by voluntary, community and social enterprises (VCSE)

- 1 supplier awarded contracts
  - 2 suppliers unsuccessful (details included for contracts over £5 million)
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### **Lot 3. Key holding services**

- 7 tenders received
  - 6 tenders assessed in the final stage:
    - 2 submitted by small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)
    - 0 submitted by voluntary, community and social enterprises (VCSE)
  - 1 supplier awarded contracts
  - 5 suppliers unsuccessful (details included for contracts over £5 million)
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### **Lot 4. Mobile stewarding/ patrolling services**

- 6 tenders received
  - 5 tenders assessed in the final stage:
    - 2 submitted by small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)
    - 0 submitted by voluntary, community and social enterprises (VCSE)
  - 1 supplier awarded contracts
  - 4 suppliers unsuccessful (details included for contracts over £5 million)
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## **Procedure**

### **Procedure type**

Open procedure

## Special regime

Light touch

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## Suppliers

### **Bidvest Noonan (UK) Ltd**

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PVRJ-4889-YZZV

7 Edgewater Road

Belfast

BT3 9JQ

United Kingdom

Email: [penny.morrow@bidvestnoonan.com](mailto:penny.morrow@bidvestnoonan.com)

Region: UKN06 - Belfast

Small or medium-sized enterprise (SME): No

Voluntary, community or social enterprise (VCSE): No

Supported employment provider: No

Public service mutual: No

Contract 1. Lot 1 - Manned security guarding services



## **Cobra Specialist Security Services**

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PMGD-3931-PMND

Unit C6, 9 Ferguson Drive

Lisburn

BT28 2EX

United Kingdom

Email: [raymond@cobrasecurity.co.uk](mailto:raymond@cobrasecurity.co.uk)

Region: UKN0E - Lisburn and Castlereagh

Small or medium-sized enterprise (SME): Yes

Voluntary, community or social enterprise (VCSE): No

Supported employment provider: No

Public service mutual: No

Contract 3. Lot 3 - Key holding services

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## **Eventsec Ltd**

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PRTV-3875-CHTM

2 Queens Quay

Belfast

BT3 9QQ

United Kingdom

Email: [generalmanager@eventsec.co.uk](mailto:generalmanager@eventsec.co.uk)

Region: UKN06 - Belfast

Small or medium-sized enterprise (SME): No

Voluntary, community or social enterprise (VCSE): No

Supported employment provider: No

Public service mutual: No

Contract 2. Lot 2 - Event stewarding services

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## Contracting authority

### **Belfast City Council**

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PQXY-5321-CGZM

9-21 Adelaide Street

Belfast

BT2 8DJ

United Kingdom

Email: [cps@belfastcity.gov.uk](mailto:cps@belfastcity.gov.uk)

Region: UKN06 - Belfast

Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government

Devolved regulations that apply: Northern Ireland