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Contract

Support Services for Litho Printing Services Framework

Stockton on Tees Borough Council

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Scope

Reference

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Description

The in-house Design & Print service requires a support framework to assist with production of different elements of print work that is not financially viable or is not compatible with our in-house printing equipment or service provision.

Only work that cannot be cost effectively produced internally would be placed via this framework.

The work placed via this framework can be business critical or could be a key form of information and engagement with residents that in turn supports the overall success of a Council objective for either Stockton-on-Tees & Darlington Borough Council's.

Commercial tool

Establishes a framework

Framework

Maximum percentage fee charged to suppliers

0%

Framework operation description

Due to the nature of the framework, orders will be placed on an 'as and when required' basis. No guarantee of the amount of business to be received by the successful supplier(s), if any can be given. The Council makes no guarantee that any orders will be placed under the contract. Although it is not expected the contract can be terminated at any time for any reason.

The Litho Printing Framework will be split into two (2) Lots as follows:

1. Lot 1 Up to SRA3 Sheet Size Production for Lower Volume Printed Materials
2. Lot 2 SRA2/B2 & SRA1/B1 Sheet Size Production for Higher Volume Printed Material

Both lots will cover a wide range of printed products, including (but not limited to):

- Letterhead / Bill Paper
- Forms (both normal and NCR)
- Pads (both normal and NCR)
- Folders / Data sheet packs
- Business Plans / Reports

- Booklets

- Leaflets

The appropriateness of the quantity (or print volumes) for any order(s) placed via Lot 1 or Lot 2 is fully at the discretion of Xentrall Design & Print. Xentrall Design and Print's decision is final and cannot be challenged by any suppliers on either of the independent Lots.

Although no guarantee of any work from any of the two lots is possible, the Litho Print Framework has an estimated spend value of £151,000 over the three years or 36 month period. A breakdown of estimated indicative percentage spend within the two lots are as follows:

Lot 1 = 35% (approx.)

Lot 2 = 65% (approx.)

Lots will be awarded as follows:

Both Lots will be awarded to the top three suppliers for each Lot. For work that is not working to a set deadline or fixed timeline, the Pricing Schedule may be used to place orders directly with the lowest priced supplier if the specifications match that of the required work.

However, if any required order placed under this framework is not covered by the Pricing Schedule, then Xentrall Design & Print will either:

If time permits, request a quotation for the required work from all three suppliers on the framework (for the relevant Lot only) and the procuring officer will then place the work on a 'best-price' basis.

or;

Place the work directly with the supplier (from the relevant Lot) that Xentrall Design & Print deem to be the most appropriate supplier to carry out the work required.

Award method when using the framework

With competition

Contracting authorities that may use the framework

Establishing party only

Contract 1. Support Services for Litho Printing Services Framework

Suppliers (3)

- Crystal Galleries Ltd t/a Tees Print
- Print By Laser Limited
- W.H. FORSTER (PRINTERS) LIMITED

Contract value

- £151,000 excluding VAT
- £181,200 including VAT

Below the relevant threshold

Date signed

6 August 2025

Contract dates

- 1 September 2025 to 31 August 2028
- 3 years

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 79822400 - Lithographic services

Contract locations

- UKC11 - Hartlepool and Stockton-on-Tees
- UKC13 - Darlington

Procedure

Procedure type

Below threshold - limited competition

Suppliers

Crystal Galleries Ltd t/a Tees Print

1 Letitia Street

Middlesbrough

TS5 4BE

United Kingdom

Email: mark.cullen@teesprint.co.uk

Region: UKC12 - South Teesside

Small or medium-sized enterprise (SME): No

Voluntary, community or social enterprise (VCSE): No

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Print By Laser Limited

- Companies House: 03410335

Phoenix House Angel Park, Drum Industrial Estate

Chester-Le-Street

DH2 1AQ

United Kingdom

Email: steven@pblprint.co.uk

Region: UKC14 - Durham CC

Small or medium-sized enterprise (SME): No

Voluntary, community or social enterprise (VCSE): No

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W.H. FORSTER (PRINTERS) LIMITED

Doxford Printworks, Pallion Quay

Sunderland

SR4 6TQ

United Kingdom

Email: lauren@whforster.com

Region: UKC23 - Sunderland

Small or medium-sized enterprise (SME): No

Voluntary, community or social enterprise (VCSE): No

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Contracting authority

Stockton on Tees Borough Council

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PCVQ-6435-GNMW

Dunedin House, Columbia Drive, Thornaby

Stockton on Tees

TS17 6BJ

United Kingdom

Email: corporateprocurement@stockton.gov.uk

Region: UKC11 - Hartlepool and Stockton-on-Tees

Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government