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Contract

Local Heat and Energy Efficiency Strategies

Scotland Excel

F03: Contract award notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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NUTS code

UKM83 - Inverclyde, East Renfrewshire and Renfrewshire

Internet address(es)

Main address

<http://www.scotland-excel.org.uk>

Buyer's address

https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA10383

I.2) Information about joint procurement

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

I.5) Main activity

General public services

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Local Heat and Energy Efficiency Strategies

Reference number

0323

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 71314300 - Energy-efficiency consultancy services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

This framework has been developed to assist councils with the procurement of technical consultants for future updates to their Local Heat and Energy Efficiency Strategies (LHEES). It will also help councils complete work to meet any potential deadlines for Heat Network Zoning or Local Area Energy Plans (LAEPs). The framework is divided into three lots as follows:

-Lot 1 - Local Heat and Energy Efficiency Strategies

-Lot 2 - Heat Network Zoning

-Lot 3 - Local Area Energy Plans

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Scotland Excel develops and manages collaborative contracts for products, services and works where a strategic requirement is identified across our sector. For further information about our governance and set up, suppliers are referred to the following page of our website:

<https://home.scotland-excel.org.uk/about-us/our-governance/>

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

II.1.7) Total value of the procurement (excluding VAT)

Value excluding VAT: £5,000,000

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Local Heat and Energy Efficiency Strategies

Lot No

1

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 71315200 - Building consultancy services
- 71210000 - Advisory architectural services
- 71310000 - Consultative engineering and construction services
- 71000000 - Architectural, construction, engineering and inspection services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKM - Scotland

Main site or place of performance

Various locations throughout the geographical boundaries of the participating councils within Scotland.

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The scope of this lot will include Local Heat and Energy Efficiency Strategies - Supporting local authorities in the completion of technical analysis, as well as, when directed, coordination and engagement activities necessary for the preparation and publication of Local Heat and Energy Efficiency Strategies in compliance with LHEES Order and

Guidance.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Technical / Weighting: 70

Price - Weighting: 30

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

II.2.14) Additional information

Economic operators may be excluded from this competition if they are in any of the situations referred to in Regulation 58 of the Public Contracts (Scotland) Regulations 2015. Please see the Invitation to Tender contained on the PCS-Tender project relevant to this procurement and the other Procurement Documents for further information.

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Heat Network Zoning

Lot No

2

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 71314300 - Energy-efficiency consultancy services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKM - Scotland

Main site or place of performance

Various locations throughout the geographical boundaries of the participating councils and associate members within Scotland.

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The scope of this lot will include heat network zoning - Assisting Local Authorities in reviewing and evaluating the potential for heat networks on a strategic, area wide scale, and to advance the development of heat network zones from this strategic level towards project identification and feasibility assessment.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Technical / Weighting: 70

Price - Weighting: 30

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

II.2.14) Additional information

Economic operators may be excluded from this competition if they are in any of the situations referred to in Regulation 58 of the Public Contracts (Scotland) Regulations 2015. Please see the Invitation to Tender contained on the PCS-Tender project relevant to this procurement and the other Procurement Documents for further information.

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Local Area Energy Plans

Lot No

3

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 71314300 - Energy-efficiency consultancy services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKM - Scotland

Main site or place of performance

Various locations throughout the geographical boundaries of the participating councils within Scotland.

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The scope of this lot will include Local Area Energy Plans - Aiding local authorities in completing the technical analysis required for Local Area Energy Plans and/or Energy Master planning in order to achieve net-zero planning.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Technical / Weighting: 70

Price - Weighting: 30

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

II.2.14) Additional information

Economic operators may be excluded from this competition if they are in any of the situations referred to in Regulation 58 of the Public Contracts (Scotland) Regulations 2015. Please see the Invitation to Tender contained on the PCS-Tender project relevant to this procurement and the other Procurement Documents for further information.

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Open procedure

IV.1.3) Information about a framework agreement or a dynamic purchasing system

The procurement involves the establishment of a framework agreement

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

Notice number: [2024/S 000-034637](#)

Section V. Award of contract

Lot No

2

Title

Heat Network Zoning

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

9 April 2025

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 13

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 6

Number of tenders received from tenderers from other EU Member States: 0

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 13

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 13

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Buro Happold Ltd

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BA2 3DQ

Telephone

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Country

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NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Ricardo-AEA Ltd

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United Kingdom

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The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Ove Arup & Partners Ltd

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London

W1T 4BQ

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKI - London

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Ramboll UK Limited

240 Blackfriars Road

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SE1 8NW

Country

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NUTS code

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The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Elevate Everywhere Ltd

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Telephone

+44 2039001509

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

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The contractor is an SME

Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Sweco UK Limited

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LS7 4DN

Telephone

+44 1133073084

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

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The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

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Telephone

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Country

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The contractor is an SME

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V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Turner & Townsend Consulting Limited

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Country

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NUTS code

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The contractor is an SME

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V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

City Science Corporation Limited

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EX1 1TS

Telephone

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Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

The contractor is an SME

Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Centre for Sustainable Energy

St James Court, St. James Parade

Bristol

BS1 3LH

Email

csefunding@cse.org.uk

Telephone

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Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

The contractor is an SME

Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

ALtass Limited

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Manchester

M2 3HZ

Telephone

+44 7972104194

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKD33 - Manchester

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £750,000

Section V. Award of contract

Lot No

3

Title

Local Area Energy Plans

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

9 April 2025

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 15

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 8

Number of tenders received from tenderers from other EU Member States: 0

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 15

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 15

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

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BA2 3DQ

Telephone

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Country

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The contractor is an SME

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The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Ove Arup & Partners Ltd

8 Fitzroy Street

London

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Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKI - London

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Mott MacDonald Limited

10 Fleet Place

London

EC4M 7RB

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKH - East of England

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Ramboll UK Limited

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London

SE1 8NW

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

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The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Synergie Environ Ltd

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Glasgow

G12DT

Telephone

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Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

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The contractor is an SME

Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Elevate Everywhere Ltd

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Telephone

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Country

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The contractor is an SME

Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Sweco UK Limited

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Telephone

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Country

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NUTS code

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The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Energy Systems Catapult Services Ltd

7th Floor, Cannon House, 18 Priory Queensway

Birmingham

B4 6BS

Telephone

+44 7870981945

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

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The contractor is an SME

Yes

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The contractor is an SME

Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

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Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKD33 - Manchester

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £250,000

Section V. Award of contract

Lot No

1

Title

Local Heat and Energy Efficiency Strategies

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

9 April 2025

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 16

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 8

Number of tenders received from tenderers from other EU Member States: 0

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 16

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 16

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: Yes

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The contractor is an SME

Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

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Ayr

KA8 9FG

Telephone

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Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKM9 - Southern Scotland

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £4,000,000

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

Scotland Excel is a central purchasing body and is procuring this framework on behalf of the following contracting authorities (and successor bodies):

A) The 32 local authorities in Scotland as listed at <http://www.scotland-excel.org.uk/home/aboutus/ourmembers.aspx>

B) Scotland Excel associate members as listed at <http://www.scotland-excel.org.uk/home/Aboutus/Ourmembers/Associate-members.aspx>

C) any Integration Authority, or other body, established pursuant to the Public Bodies (Joint Working)(Scotland)Act 2014.

D) Any Scottish Registered Social Landlords listed on the public register of the Scottish Housing Regulator:
<http://directory.scottishhousingregulator.gov.uk/Documents/Landlord%20Register.pdf> as at the date of publication of this notice.

E) Tayside Contracts

F) Advanced Procurement for Universities and Colleges (APUC Ltd) and their member organisations across the higher and further

education sector in Scotland and their associated and affiliated bodies.

G) Scottish Prison Service (SPS)

H) Any body created pursuant to the National Health Service Scotland Act (1978)

I) Transport Scotland

J) Scottish Government and Scottish Central Government Bodies.

The above is subject to each contracting authority entering into and maintaining a relevant membership agreement or other access agreement with Scotland Excel.

Retrospective rebates apply to this framework. For further details, please see the (0323) Framework Contract document.

Tenderers are advised that the envisaged maximum number of participants that might be

appointed to the proposed framework agreement set out in section IV.1.3 of this contract notice is purely indicative. Scotland Excel reserves the right to appoint more or less bidders than the envisaged maximum number to the proposed framework agreement.

Further information regarding the operation of the framework and the tendering requirements can be found within the tender documentation which is available in the relevant PCS-T project for this procurement exercise.

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VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Court of Session

Parliament Square

Edinburgh

EH1 1RQ

Country

United Kingdom