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Award

Design, Installation and Commissioning of Solar PV on Student Residence Roofs

THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICHESTER

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Scope

Reference

TND-0001129

Description

The University of Chichester is looking to appoint a competent contractor to design, install and commission solar PV on three of its Halls of Residences at its Bishop Otter Campus in Chichester.

The three halls are all planned to be re-roofed, starting in September 2025. This work is urgent due to ongoing roof leaks. Whilst being pursued as quickly as possible, the necessary change in roofing material requires formal planning consent. The change in material is needed because the pitch of the roof is too shallow for the synthetic slates currently fitted. The new roof is planned to be Kingspan KS1000RW profiled insulated composite panels. These comprise a XL Forte plastisol steel outer sheet, a 40mm thick rigid quadcore insulation core and a bright white plastisol finish lining panel face. The University is currently

progressing the planning application with the support of a planning consultant and a roofing contractor already "on board".

As part of the project the University also wishes to install solar PV to reduce its carbon footprint and help reduce energy costs. Preliminary assessments in relation to solar PV have determined that solar PV is viable. A case has also been made for completing the re-roof and solar PV installations together, due to the saving on scaffolding costs. The planning application for the replacement of the roof therefore includes for solar PV too. Discussion in relation to procurement has however concluded that the design, installation and commissioning of the solar PV should be a separate procurement to the roof - although the University is seeking to see this co-ordinated with the new roof installation as efficiently as possible.

As a consequence, this contract will be a design and build contract for the design, installation and commissioning of solar PV on the roofs of Amberley, Chilgrove and Harting student residences. The form of contract will be a largely unamended JCT Design and Build Contract 2024 (DB 2024). This will be kept separate from the roofing contract, but sectional completion clauses will be used to correspond with the planned phasing of the roof replacement works.

Full details of our requirements are available in the tender documents.

Contract 1

Supplier

- Bright Spark Energy

Contract value

- £114,949.42 including VAT

Below the relevant threshold

Award decision date

8 September 2025

Earliest date the contract will be signed

30 September 2025

Contract dates (estimated)

- 30 September 2025 to 1 April 2026
- 6 months, 2 days

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 09331200 - Solar photovoltaic modules
- 45261215 - Solar panel roof-covering work
- 51110000 - Installation services of electrical equipment

Contract locations

- UKJ27 - West Sussex (South West)

Information about tenders

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

Procedure

Procedure type

Below threshold - open competition

Supplier

Bright Spark Energy

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United Kingdom

Email: sales@brightspark.energy

Region: UKJ27 - West Sussex (South West)

Small or medium-sized enterprise (SME): Yes

Voluntary, community or social enterprise (VCSE): No

Contract 1

Contracting authority

THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICHESTER

- Companies House: 04740553
- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PPPG-3697-WRBH

Bishop Otter Campus

Chichester

PO19 6PE

United Kingdom

Email: tenders@chi.ac.uk

Region: UKJ27 - West Sussex (South West)

Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government

