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Tender

Bridge and Culvert Inspections

Scottish Borders Council

F02: Contract notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-05cc4f

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

Scottish Borders Council

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NUTS code

UKM91 - Scottish Borders

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Main address

<http://www.scotborders.gov.uk>

Buyer's address

https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA00394

I.3) Communication

The procurement documents are available for unrestricted and full direct access, free of charge, at

www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Regional or local authority

I.5) Main activity

General public services

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Bridge and Culvert Inspections

Reference number

1001534

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 71631450 - Bridge-inspection services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Scottish Borders Council (the Council) is seeking a consultant to provide Bridge and Culvert Inspections.

The Council's 'Bridge Team' have duty under the Roads (Scotland) Act 1984 to manage and maintain the bridge stock such that it is safe and fit for purpose. A significant element of this duty is inspecting the bridges to determine their condition and take appropriate action as required.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £400,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 71631450 - Bridge-inspection services
- 45221220 - Culverts

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKM91 - Scottish Borders

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Scottish Borders Council (the Council) wishes to appoint a consultant to provide Bridge and Culvert Inspections.

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II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 60

Price - Weighting: 40

II.2.7) Duration of the contract, framework agreement or dynamic purchasing system

Duration in months

36

This contract is subject to renewal

No

II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: No

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

Section III. Legal, economic, financial and technical information

III.1) Conditions for participation

III.1.2) Economic and financial standing

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

III.1.3) Technical and professional ability

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Open procedure

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.2.2) Time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate

Date

13 November 2025

Local time

12:00pm

IV.2.4) Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted

English

IV.2.6) Minimum time frame during which the tenderer must maintain the tender

Duration in months: 2 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)

IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders

Date

13 November 2025

Local time

12:00pm

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: No

VI.2) Information about electronic workflows

Electronic ordering will be used

Electronic invoicing will be accepted

Electronic payment will be used

VI.3) Additional information

NOTE: To register your interest in this notice and obtain any additional information please visit the Public Contracts Scotland Web Site at

https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/Search/Search_Switch.aspx?ID=812656.

The buyer has indicated that it will accept electronic responses to this notice via the Postbox facility. A user guide is available at

https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/sitehelp/help_guides.aspx.

Suppliers are advised to allow adequate time for uploading documents and to dispatch the electronic response well in advance of the closing time to avoid any last minute problems.

Community benefits are included in this requirement. For more information see:
<https://www.gov.scot/policies/public-sector-procurement/community-benefits-in-procurement/>

A summary of the expected community benefits has been provided as follows:

As stated in the Corporate Procurement Strategy, Scottish Borders Council aims to maximise the impact of its procurement activities by providing additional social, economic, and environmental benefits beyond the core purpose of its contracts.

Scottish Borders Council is therefore committed to securing Community Benefits from third party contracts exceeding GBP 25,000 in value. The successful bidder for this contract will be required to work with the council to deliver community benefits through the Council's points-based system which sets the level of community benefits expected from suppliers at different spend thresholds.

Response:

Bidders are required to use the following documents to support their Community Benefit submission:

Community Benefit Guidance – for review, outlining expectations, thresholds and the community benefit menu.

Community Benefit Contract Plan – to be completed and submitted, detailing how the proposed community benefits will be delivered during the contract period

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Download the ESPD document here:

https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/ESPD/ESPD_Download.aspx?id=812656

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

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