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Award

Royal Victoria Place Shopping Centre - MEP Engineer

Tunbridge Wells Borough Council

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Scope

Description

Tunbridge Wells Borough Council (TWBC) acquired the long leasehold interest of the Royal Victoria Place Shopping Centre (RVP) in Royal Tunbridge Wells in October 2023. TWBC has appointed RivingtonHark as Development Manager to coordinate a feasibility study of the centre which will be reported to council members in July 2025. In order to achieve the desired programme identified below, which is to report planning consent and RIBA Stage 3 design and cost plan on the subject sites by October 2026, TWBC is procuring a design and planning team who, will be available for appointment immediately subject full council approval in July. This procurement is for MEP Engineer.

Contract 1

Supplier

- DESCO (DESIGN & CONSULTANCY) LIMITED

Contract value

- £638,200 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Award decision date

22 October 2025

Date assessment summaries were sent to tenderers

22 October 2025

Standstill period

- End: 31 October 2025
- 8 working days

Earliest date the contract will be signed

5 November 2025

Contract dates (estimated)

- 5 November 2025 to 31 October 2026

- 11 months, 26 days

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 71310000 - Consultative engineering and construction services
- 71320000 - Engineering design services

Contract locations

- UKJ46 - West Kent

Information about tenders

- 9 tenders received
- 2 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
- 1 supplier unsuccessful (details included for contracts over £5 million)

Procedure

Procedure type

Open procedure

Supplier

DESCO (DESIGN & CONSULTANCY) LIMITED

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- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PWZR-5184-LNMV

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Sunderland

SR3 3BE

United Kingdom

Email: information@desco.uk.com

Website: <http://www.desco.uk.com>

Region: UKC23 - Sunderland

Small or medium-sized enterprise (SME): Yes

Voluntary, community or social enterprise (VCSE): No

Supported employment provider: No

Public service mutual: No

Contract 1

Contracting authority

Tunbridge Wells Borough Council

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PLDX-6964-RZQX

Town Hall, Monson Way

Royal Tunbridge Wells

TN1 1RS

United Kingdom

Email: procurement@tunbridgewells.gov.uk

Region: UKJ46 - West Kent

Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government

Other organisation

These organisations are carrying out the procurement, or part of it, on behalf of the contracting authorities.

RIVINGTONHARK LIMITED

Summary of their role in this procurement: Development Manager - Assisting with Evaluation

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Contact organisation

Contact Tunbridge Wells Borough Council for any enquiries.