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Tender

Grounds Maintenance Contract

Ampthill Town Council

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Scope

Reference

ATC-GroundsMaint.2026-2031

Description

Ampthill Town Council (The Council) is inviting tender submissions for this service under its public procurement obligations.

The grounds maintenance services will focus primarily on Ampthill Great Park, and include other sites such as: Ampthill Cemetery, 2 allotment sites, 4 areas of public open space, a market area and car park. Full details provided within the specification document and Annex 1.

Total value (estimated)

- £1,400,000 excluding VAT
- £1,680,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Contract dates (estimated)

- 1 April 2026 to 31 March 2031
- Possible extension to 31 March 2033
- 7 years

Description of possible extension:

Subject to satisfactory performance by the Service Provider during the Initial Term, The Town Council may wish to extend the Agreement once or on multiple occasions for a further period of up to 1 or 2 years. The Town Council may approach the Service Provider if it wishes to do so before the end of the Initial Term. The clauses in the Agreement will apply throughout any such extended period unless otherwise stated to the contrary.

Options

The right to additional purchases while the contract is valid.

Variation of Services:

Ampthill Town Council reserves the right to require changes to the services at any time during the contract. This can include adding new services, removing services, increasing or decreasing the scope, or changing the order and locations of work. These changes are called "Variations" and will be communicated in writing. If a Variation affects the price, the adjustment will be calculated and agreed upon between the Council and the Service Provider. If agreement cannot be reached, the matter will go to negotiation or mediation.

Materials and Consumables:

Any materials required for tasks will be specified by the Park Manager. If the Service

Provider purchases materials, the Town Council will reimburse the actual cost (with no markup). Time spent sourcing and ordering materials must be covered within the agreed staffing resource. [Grounds Ma...C.29.10.25]

Additional Work:

The specification allows for ad-hoc tasks beyond core duties, such as event support, repairs, and volunteer facilitation. These tasks will be scheduled and agreed upon at monthly meetings, and the Service Provider must accommodate them within the tendered staffing resource.

Contract Extension Option:

The Council may extend the contract for up to 1 or 2 years beyond the initial 5-year term, subject to satisfactory performance. Payment for the extension period will be negotiated.

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 77313000 Parks maintenance services
- 77314000 Grounds maintenance services

Participation

Legal and financial capacity conditions of participation

Refer to specification document as published.

Technical ability conditions of participation

Refer to specification document as published.

Particular suitability

- Small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)
- Voluntary, community and social enterprises (VCSE)

Submission

Enquiry deadline

18 November 2025, 4:00pm

Tender submission deadline

2 December 2025, 12:00pm

Submission address and any special instructions

https://www.ampthill-tc.gov.uk/news

Tender returns: tenders@ampthill-tc.gov.uk

Tenders may be submitted electronically

Yes

Languages that may be used for submission

English

Award decision date (estimated)

19 December 2025

Recurring procurement

Publication date of next tender notice (estimated): 1 November 2031

Award criteria

Name	Description	Туре	Weighting	
Price		Cost	60%	
Quality	Organisation & Management - 7 po Employee Terms & Conditions / Retent 15 points Transpor Equipment - 11 poi Service Delivery - 1 points Mobilisation Action Plan - 10 po	tion - t & nts 17 &	40%	

Other information

Conflicts assessment prepared/revised

Yes

Procedure

Procedure type

Open procedure

Documents

Associated tender documents

Grounds_Maintenance_Tender_ATC.29.10.25v2.pdf

Annex-1-Park_Maint_Tender_ATC.29.10.25.pdf

Contracting authority

Ampthill Town Council

• Public Procurement Organisation Number: PXCW-2389-TCGJ

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United Kingdom

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Region: UKH25 - Central Bedfordshire

Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government