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Contract

Transportation of Deceased Persons

Scottish Police Authority
Crown Office and Procurator Fiscal Service

F03: Contract award notice
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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

Scottish Police Authority

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Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

UKM - Scotland

Internet address(es)

Main address

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Buyer's address

https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA19762

I.1) Name and addresses

Crown Office and Procurator Fiscal Service

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Edinburgh

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Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

UKM - Scotland

Internet address(es)

Main address

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

Buyer's address

https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA00292

I.2) Information about joint procurement

The contract involves joint procurement

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

I.5) Main activity

Public order and safety

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Transportation of Deceased Persons

Reference number

PROC-24-2705

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 98370000 - Funeral and related services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Framework with multiple suppliers covering mainland and islands of Scotland.

A service is required to uplift deceased persons from a locus and transport them to a designated mortuary, or transport between mortuaries or from a mortuary to a place of rest.

The requirement for transportation is only in circumstances where there is a Police Scotland/COPFS investigation into the death.

Non-suspicious deaths where a death certificate is issued or is anticipated will not form part of the requirement.

The contract will incorporate the full requirement for transportation services for Police Scotland and the COPFS (Crown Office & Procurator Fiscal Service). Police Scotland will be the main point of contact for all enquiries & invoicing relating to the Framework.

The Framework will be split into 2 Lots:-

Lot 1: Reactive Journeys from Locus to Designated Mortuary or non-Designated Mortuary

Lot 2: Planned Journeys between Designated Mortuaries, Non Designated Mortuaries and Designated Mortuaries, Places of Rest and Designated Mortuaries and Return Journeys

Both lots will be further split into geographical regions with suppliers able to bid on the regions most suited to their business.

The following transport services have been identified as forming part of the requirement:

1. 'First Transport' – Transport to Designated Mortuary
2. 'Second Transport' –
Place of Rest or Designated Mortuary to Designated Mortuary
3. 'Return Transport' – Designated Mortuary to Local Jurisdiction or Mortuary

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: £6,500,000

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Planned Journeys

Lot No

2

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 98370000 - Funeral and related services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKM - Scotland

Main site or place of performance

Throughout Scotland - Mainland and islands

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Planned journeys to transport deceased persons between

Designated Mortuaries, Non Designated Mortuaries or Places of Rest.

Each area covered by the contract may have different transport requirements in line with the geographic characteristics.

The requirement for transportation is only in circumstances where there is a requirement for Police Scotland/COPFS investigation into the death. Non-suspicious deaths where a death certificate is issued or is anticipated will not form part of the requirement.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Service Delivery / Weighting: 35%

Quality criterion - Name: Staff assigned to carry out the service / Weighting: 35%

Quality criterion - Name: Method Statement / Weighting: 15%

Quality criterion - Name: Community Benefits / Weighting: 5%

Quality criterion - Name: Fair Work Practises / Weighting: 5%

Quality criterion - Name: Sustainability / Weighting: 5%

Price - Weighting: 50%

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

Each Lot will further divided into geographical Sub-Lots.

A maximum of three Contractors shall be appointed for each geographical Sub-Lot. The Contractors will be ranked 1st, 2nd and 3rd based on the Most Economically Advantageous Tender (MEAT).

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Reactive Journeys

Lot No

1

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 98370000 - Funeral and related services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKM - Scotland

Main site or place of performance

Throughout Scotland - Mainland and Islands

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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Quality criterion - Name: Staff Assigned to the Service / Weighting: 25%

Quality criterion - Name: Method Statement 1 / Weighting: 15%

Quality criterion - Name: Method Statement 2 / Weighting: 10%

Quality criterion - Name: Method Statement 3 / Weighting: 10%

Quality criterion - Name: Community Benefits / Weighting: 5%

Quality criterion - Name: Fair Work Practises / Weighting: 5%

Quality criterion - Name: Sustainability / Weighting: 5%

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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: [2025/S 000-018948](#)

Section V. Award of contract

Lot No

1

Title

Reactive Journeys

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

5 September 2025

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 17

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 15

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

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 0

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 17

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

John McNeil Funeral Directors

Mansewood, Dalrymple Street

Stranraer

DG9 7ER

Telephone

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Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKM92 - Dumfries & Galloway

The contractor is an SME

Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

James Ashton & Son Ltd

1a Cardean Street

Dundee

DD4 6PS

Telephone

+44 1382452110

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKM71 - Angus and Dundee City

The contractor is an SME

Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Funeral Services Limited T/A Co-op Funeralcare

12th Floor, 1 Angel Square

Manchester

M60 0AG

Telephone

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Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKD33 - Manchester

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

John Ross Funeral Services Ltd

John Ross Funeral Services Ltd, 46-48 High Street

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PH26 3EH

Telephone

+44 1479872222

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKM6 - Highlands and Islands

The contractor is an SME

Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

A & A Doyle Limited

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Telephone

+44 7771766406

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKM91 - Scottish Borders

The contractor is an SME

Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

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Telephone

+44 7929454262

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKM76 - Falkirk

The contractor is an SME

Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Dignity Funerals Ltd

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Sutton Coldfield

B73 6AP

Telephone

+44 7867002873

Country

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- UK - United Kingdom

The contractor is an SME

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V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Mairi Urquhart & Son Funeral Group

Mairi Urquhart & Son, 1 - 3 MITCHELL LANE

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Telephone

+44 7540000506

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKM61 - Caithness & Sutherland and Ross & Cromarty

The contractor is an SME

Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Selwood Funeral Directors

77-79 Dundee Street

Carnoustie

DD7 7PN

Telephone

+44 1241852651

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKM5 - North Eastern Scotland

The contractor is an SME

Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

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Telephone

+44 1955602066

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V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

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347 George Street

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Telephone

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Country

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- UKM50 - Aberdeen City and Aberdeenshire

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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Telephone

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V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

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V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

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Country

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V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

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DG7 1HY

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+44 1556503713

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The contractor is an SME

Yes

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Aviemore

PH22 1ST

Telephone

+44 7376110020

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKM62 - Inverness & Nairn and Moray, Badenoch & Strathspey

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £5,200,000

Section V. Award of contract

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2

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £1,300,000

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

(SC Ref:817867)

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Glasgow Sheriff Court

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