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Tender

## **Restock Programme Framework - Forestry Services**

Crown Estate Scotland

F02: Contract notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-05aea2

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### **Section I: Contracting authority**

#### **I.1) Name and addresses**

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#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **NUTS code**

UK - United Kingdom

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<http://crownestatescotland.com/>

Buyer's address

[https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search\\_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA29444](https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA29444)

**I.2) Information about joint procurement**

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

**I.3) Communication**

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

[www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk](http://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](http://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk)

**I.4) Type of the contracting authority**

Body governed by public law

**I.5) Main activity**

Other activity

Property

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## **Section II: Object**

### **II.1) Scope of the procurement**

#### **II.1.1) Title**

Restock Programme Framework - Forestry Services

#### **II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 77200000 - Forestry services

#### **II.1.3) Type of contract**

Services

#### **II.1.4) Short description**

Crown Estate Scotland ("CES") have a requirement to undertake the following forestry services.

The Framework will be split into the following lotting structure:

- Lot 1 - Ground Preparation and Associated Groundworks – North (Glenlivet Estate, Fochabers Estate and Auchindoun Estate)
- Lot 2 - Ground Preparation and Associated Groundworks – South (Applegirth Estate and Whitehill Estate)
- Lot 3 – Tree Planting and Associated Tree Maintenance Works – North (Glenlivet Estate, Fochabers Estate and Auchindoun Estate)
- Lot 4 - Tree Planting and Associated Tree Maintenance Works – South (Applegirth Estate and Whitehill Estate)
- Lot 5 - Forestry Agent Services – North (Glenlivet Estate, Fochabers Estate and Auchindoun Estate)

#### **II.1.5) Estimated total value**

Value excluding VAT: £349,000

#### **II.1.6) Information about lots**

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

Tenders may be submitted for all lots

## **II.2) Description**

### **II.2.1) Title**

Ground Preparation and Associated Groundworks – North (Glenlivet Estate, Fochabers Estate and Auchindoun Estate)

Lot No

1

### **II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 45111291 - Site-development work
- 45112000 - Excavating and earthmoving work
- 77300000 - Horticultural services
- 77230000 - Services incidental to forestry

### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UKM5 - North Eastern Scotland

### **II.2.4) Description of the procurement**

Ground preparation services including site access, mounding, drainage, ATV tracks, and associated groundworks to facilitate forest establishment.

### **II.2.5) Award criteria**

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 50

Price - Weighting: 50

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

Duration in months

24

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

The Framework will be for a 2-year period, with the option to extend for 2 x 12-month periods at the sole discretion of Crown Estate Scotland.

### **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

## **II.2) Description**

### **II.2.1) Title**

Ground Preparation and Associated Groundworks – South (Applegirth Estate and Whitehill Estate)

Lot No

2

### **II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 45112000 - Excavating and earthmoving work
- 45111291 - Site-development work
- 77300000 - Horticultural services
- 77230000 - Services incidental to forestry

### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UKM9 - Southern Scotland

#### **II.2.4) Description of the procurement**

Ground preparation services including site access, mounding, drainage, ATV tracks, and associated groundworks to facilitate forest establishment.

#### **II.2.5) Award criteria**

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 50

Price - Weighting: 50

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

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#### **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) Description**

#### **II.2.1) Title**

Tree Planting and Associated Tree Maintenance Works – North (Glenlivet Estate, Fochabers Estate and Auchindoun Estate)

Lot No

3

**II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 77300000 - Horticultural services
- 77211500 - Tree-maintenance services
- 03452000 - Trees

**II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UKM5 - North Eastern Scotland

**II.2.4) Description of the procurement**

Tree planting services to support the restock of future harvesting or windblow clearance works.

**II.2.5) Award criteria**

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 50

Price - Weighting: 50

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

Duration in months

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### **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) Description**

### **II.2.1) Title**

Tree Planting and Associated Tree Maintenance Works – South (Applegirth Estate and Whitehill Estate)

Lot No

4

### **II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 03452000 - Trees
- 77300000 - Horticultural services
- 77211500 - Tree-maintenance services

### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UKM9 - Southern Scotland

### **II.2.4) Description of the procurement**

Tree planting services to support the restock of future harvesting or windblow clearance works.

### **II.2.5) Award criteria**

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 50

Price - Weighting: 50

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

Duration in months

24

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

The Framework will be for a 2-year period, with the option to extend for 2 x 12-month periods at the sole discretion of Crown Estate Scotland.

### **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

## **II.2) Description**

### **II.2.1) Title**

Forestry Agent Services – North (Glenlivet Estate, Fochabers Estate and Auchindoun Estate)

Lot No

5

### **II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 70330000 - Property management services of real estate on a fee or contract basis
- 70332000 - Non-residential property services
- 77231000 - Forestry management services

### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UKM5 - North Eastern Scotland

#### **II.2.4) Description of the procurement**

The management of in-hand commercial forestry across the estates is undertaken directly by CES staff. Additional call-off support for these activities is required through this Lot. It is not a full Management requirement.

Across all estates, there is a requirement for regular liaison with tenants, community and other stakeholders, maintaining and raising the profile of CES, managing good relations with tenants and other stakeholders and contributing positively to the overall management of the Estate. The role of Service Provider will also involve regular liaison with CES staff and any other Rural Service Providers.

#### **II.2.5) Award criteria**

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 70

Price - Weighting: 30

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

Duration in months

24

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

The Framework will be for a 2-year period, with the option to extend for 2 x 12-month periods at the sole discretion of Crown Estate Scotland.

#### **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

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## **Section III. Legal, economic, financial and technical information**

### **III.1) Conditions for participation**

#### **III.1.1) Suitability to pursue the professional activity, including requirements relating to enrolment on professional or trade registers**

List and brief description of conditions

Please refer to SPD module for details relevant to this tender.

#### **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

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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

Framework agreement with several operators

Envisaged maximum number of participants to the framework agreement: 7

#### **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 000-064925](#)

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

Date

19 January 2026

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**

Tender must be valid until: 19 May 2026

### **IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders**

Date

19 January 2026

Local time

12:00pm

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## **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**

Scotland Excel is acting on behalf of CES in the execution of this tender but will not be party to the contract or the management of the contract throughout its lifetime.

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[https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/Search/Search\\_Switch.aspx?ID=818370](https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/Search/Search_Switch.aspx?ID=818370).

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[https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/sitehelp/help\\_guides.aspx](https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/sitehelp/help_guides.aspx).

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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:

Crown Estate Scotland is committed to securing Community Benefits from all contracts wherever possible and will require successful Tenderers to work with it, as part of the delivery of the services, in transforming the community in a real and sustainable manner.

(SC Ref:818370)

Download the ESPD document here:

[https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/ESPD/ESPD\\_Download.aspx?id=818370](https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/ESPD/ESPD_Download.aspx?id=818370)

## **VI.4) Procedures for review**

### **VI.4.1) Review body**

Edinburgh Sheriff Court

27 Chambers Street

Edinburgh

EH1 1LB

Country

United Kingdom