

United Kingdom-Manchester: Health and safety consultancy services

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Contract notice

Services

Directive 2004/18/EC

Section I: Contracting authority

I.1. Name and addresses

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I.2. Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

I.3. Main activity

Housing and community amenities

I.4. Contract award on behalf of other contracting authorities

The contracting authority is purchasing on behalf of other contracting authorities: no

Section II: Object of the contract

II.1. Description

II.1.1. Title attributed to the contract by the contracting authority

Fire Risk Assessment Services.

II.1.2. Type of contract and place of performance or delivery

Services

Service category No 27: Other services

Main site or place of performance: North West England.

NUTS code UKD North West (England)

II.1.3. Information about a framework agreement or a dynamic purchasing system

The notice involves a public contract

II.1.4. Information about framework agreement

II.1.5. Short description of the contract or purchase(s)

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II.1.6. CPV code(s)

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II.1.7. Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: no

II.1.8. Lots

This contract is divided into lots: yes

Tenders may be submitted for one or more lots

II.1.9. Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: no

II.2. Scope of the procurement

II.2.1. Total quantity or scope

Your Housing Group is seeking to appoint a Consultant to each of the following Lots to carry out Fire Risk Assessments:

Lot 1 North Area comprising schemes in Cumbria, Lancashire and Yorkshire – approx. 313 Fire Risk Assessments required.

Lot 2 Greater Manchester Area comprising schemes in Salford, Manchester, Stockport, Tameside, Trafford, Wigan, Rochdale, Bury, Bolton and the schemes forming the Tung Sing property portfolio – approx. 261 Fire Risk Assessments required.

Lot 3 Merseyside Area comprising schemes in Liverpool, Halton, Knowsley, Sefton, St.Helens and the Wirral – approx 444 Fire Risk assessments required.

Lot 4 South Area comprising schemes in Cheshire West, Warrington, Cheshire East, High Peak and Staffordshire – approx 219 Fire Risk Assessments required.

Further information relating to the schemes will be included in the tender documents. Schemes may be added or deleted both prior to tender and during the contract period in accordance with Your Housing Group property portfolio. Applicants should also be aware that to a certain extent, work required to be carried out in each of the above 4 Lots is demand led and therefore

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II.2.2. Information about options

Options: yes

Description of options: The contract will be subject to regular performance reviews. The contract will be extendable at the Contracting Authority's sole discretion on an annual basis after the first 2 years for up to a further 3 years. In any event continuance of the contract from the commencement will be dependent on satisfactory performance by the Consultant. The contract will also contain a break provision that may be exercised by the Contracting Authority subject to the giving of the period of notice stipulated in the contract.

II.2.3. Information about renewals

This contract is subject to renewal: yes

Number of possible renewals: 3

In the case of renewable supplies or service contracts, estimated timeframe for subsequent contracts:

in months: 24 (from the award of the contract)

II.3. Duration of the contract or time limit for completion

Duration in months: 60 (from the award of the contract)

Information about lots

Lot No: 1

Lot title: North Area

1) Short description

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2) CPV code(s)

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3) Quantity or scope

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4) Indication about different time frame or duration

5) Additional information about lots

Lot No: 2

Lot title: Greater Manchester Area

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3) Quantity or scope

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Lot 2 Greater Manchester Area comprising schemes in Salford, Manchester, Stockport, Tameside, Trafford, Wigan, Rochdale, Bury, Bolton and the schemes forming the Tung Sing property portfolio – approx. 261 Fire Risk Assessments required.

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4) Indication about different time frame or duration

5) Additional information about lots

Lot No: 3

Lot title: Merseyside Area

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2) CPV code(s)

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3) Quantity or scope

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Lot No: 4

Lot title: South Area

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2) CPV code(s)

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3) Quantity or scope

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4) Indication about different time frame or duration

5) Additional information about lots

Section III: Legal, economic, financial and technical information

III.1. Conditions related to the contract

III.1.1. Deposits and guarantees required

Details of Deposits and Guarantees that may be required will be set out in the tender and contract documents.

III.1.2. Main financing conditions and payment arrangements and/or reference to the relevant provisions governing them

To be included in the tender documentation.

III.1.3. Legal form to be taken by the group of economic operators to whom the contract is to be awarded

In the event of a group of organisations submitting an acceptable offer it will be necessary to provide an undertaking that each organisation will have joint and several liability.

III.1.4. Contract performance conditions

The performance of the contract is subject to particular conditions: yes

Description of particular conditions: The successful Consultant will be required to carry out the Fire Risk Assessments fully in compliance with the Contracting Authority's already established template and to comply with Key Performance Indicators and clearly defined Customer Service Standards in the delivery of the services and against which the performance of the Consultant will be judged. Compliance with Key Performance Indicators and Customer Service Standards will be instrumental in the decision whether to exercise the options to renew the contract.

III.2. Conditions for participation

III.2.1. Suitability to pursue the professional activity, including requirements relating to enrolment on professional or trade registers

List and brief description of conditions: A questionnaire will be sent to applicants who wish to be considered for inclusion on the select list for invitation to tender. Completed questionnaires with all supporting information are required to be submitted by 28th August 2013.

Applicants who satisfy any of the criteria for rejection set out in regulation 23 of the Public Contracts Regulations 2006, Article 45 of Directive 2004/18/EC shall be treated as ineligible. Applicants may be requested to provide such evidence as is reasonably necessary to allow Your Housing Group to establish that the aforementioned criteria does not apply to them.

III.2.2. Economic and financial ability

List and brief description of conditions: These requirements are set out in the PQQ which will be sent to all applicants. Copies of the PQQ can be requested from the contact point as set out in Annex A. The PQQ must be completed and returned with all required supporting information by the deadline listed in section IV.3.4 of this Notice.

Minimum level(s) of standards possibly required: Minimum annual turnover levels for the applicant is required for each Lot and are as follows:

Lot 1 £250,000, Lot 2 £225,000, Lot 3 £375,000, Lot 4 £175,000. Further information regarding minimum levels of standards required will be detailed in the PQQ. Applicants accounting information shall show profitability or surplus at a level acceptable to the Contracting Authority so as likely to not place them at risk. Further assessment of the applicant's financial stability using applicant's accounting information.

III.2.3. Technical and professional ability

List and brief description of conditions:

The information and formalities set out in Article 48 of Directive 2004/18/EC and Regulation 25 Public Contracts Regulations 2006 and as set out in the PQQ which will be sent to all applicants. The PQQ must be completed and returned with all required supporting information by the deadline listed in section IV.3.4 of this Notice.

Minimum level(s) of standards possibly required:

Further information regarding minimum levels of standards required are set out in the PQQ.. Organisations will be required to demonstrate a proven track record in the successful delivery of the proposed services.

III.2.4. Information about reserved contracts

III.3. Conditions specific to services contracts

III.3.1. Information about a particular profession

Execution of the service is reserved to a particular profession: no

III.3.2. Information about staff responsible for the performance of the contract

Obligation to indicate the names and professional qualifications of the staff assigned to performing the contract: no

Section IV: Procedure

IV.1. Type of procedure

IV.1.1. Type of procedure

Restricted

IV.1.2. Information about the limits on the number of candidates to be invited

Envisaged minimum number 5: and Maximum number 8

Objective criteria for choosing the limited number of candidates: Criteria in accordance with regulations 23(1), 24 and 25 of the Public Contracts Regulations 2006. In addition, those candidates who have the best technical and financial qualifications and can demonstrate proven delivery of the services being the subject of this notice in a social housing environment, based upon evaluation of the pre-qualification questionnaire to be submitted by all candidates and the information/supporting data so provided. The above envisaged number of operators is for each Lot although an operator, subject to evaluation of their submitted PQQ and if invited to tender may be permitted to tender for more than one Lot.

IV.1.3. Information about reduction of the number of solutions or tenders during negotiation or dialogue

IV.2. Award criteria

IV.2.1. Award criteria

The most economically advantageous tender in terms of Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

IV.2.2. Information about electronic auction

An electronic auction will be used: no

IV.3. Administrative information

IV.3.1. File reference number attributed by the contracting authority

IV.3.2. Previous publication concerning this procedure

no

IV.3.3. Conditions for obtaining specifications and additional documents or descriptive document

Payable documents: no

IV.3.4. Time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate

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IV.3.5. Estimated date of dispatch of invitations to tender or to participate to selected candidates**IV.3.6. Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted**

English.

IV.3.7. Minimum time frame during which the tenderer must maintain the tender**IV.3.8. Conditions for opening of tenders****Section VI: Complementary information**

VI.1. Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: no

VI.2. Information about European Union funds

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds:
no

VI.3. Additional information

It is envisaged that the provisions of the Transfer of Undertakings (Protection of Employment) Regulations 2006 (TUPE 2006) are unlikely but may possibly apply to employees currently employed by consultants in carrying out the services. Further information on the possible application of TUPE 2006 will be provided in the Tender Documents.

VI.4. Procedures for review**VI.4.1. Review body**

Official name: see VI.4.2)

VI.4.2. Review procedure

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures: The Contracting Authority will incorporate a minimum 10 day calendar standstill period at the point information on the award of the contract is communicated to tenderers.

If an appeal regarding the award of contract has not been successfully resolved, the Public Contracts Regulations 2006 (SI 2006 No5) (as amended) provide for aggrieved parties who have been harmed or are at risk to take action in the High Court (England, Wales and Northern Ireland). Any such action must be brought within 3 months.

Where a contract has not been entered into, the Court may order the setting aside of the award decision or order the Contracting authority to amend any document and may award damages. If the contract has been entered into the Court may only award damages or, where the contract award procedures have not been followed correctly, declare the contract to be "in effective".

VI.4.3. Service from which information about the review procedure may be obtained**VI.5. Date of dispatch of this notice**

26.7.2013