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**United Kingdom-Falkirk: Horticultural products  
2020/S 159-389102**

**Contract notice**

**Supplies**

**Legal Basis:**

Directive 2014/24/EU

**Section I: Contracting authority**

**I.1) Name and addresses**

Official name: Falkirk Council  
Postal address: Municipal Buildings, West Bridge Street  
Town: Falkirk  
NUTS code: UKM76 Falkirk  
Postal code: FK1 5RS  
Country: United Kingdom  
E-mail: [pcu@falkirk.gov.uk](mailto:pcu@falkirk.gov.uk)  
Telephone: +44 1324506566

**Internet address(es):**

Main address: <http://www.falkirk.gov.uk>  
Address of the buyer profile: [https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search\\_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA00184](https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA00184)

**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.publictendersscotland.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/esop/pts-host/public/pts/web/login.html](http://www.publictendersscotland.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/esop/pts-host/public/pts/web/login.html)  
Additional information can be obtained from the abovementioned address  
Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via:  
[www.publictendersscotland.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/esop/pts-host/public/pts/web/login.html](http://www.publictendersscotland.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/esop/pts-host/public/pts/web/login.html)  
Electronic communication requires the use of tools and devices that are not generally available.  
Unrestricted and full direct access to these tools and devices is possible, free of charge, at:  
[www.publictendersscotland.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/esop/pts-host/public/pts/web/login.html](http://www.publictendersscotland.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/esop/pts-host/public/pts/web/login.html)

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

Regional or local authority

**I.5) Main activity**

General public services

**Section II: Object**

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

**II.1.1) Title:**

Framework Agreement for the Supply and Delivery of Horticultural Products  
Reference number: DEV/140/20

- II.1.2) **Main CPV code**  
03121000 Horticultural products
- II.1.3) **Type of contract**  
Supplies
- II.1.4) **Short description:**  
Falkirk Council wishes to undertake a tendering process to enter into a framework agreement with suppliers for the supply and delivery of Horticultural Products to the Authorities Roads and Grounds Maintenance Department. Suppliers will provide material support to the services work operations based at Earls Road Grangemouth and throughout Falkirk District sites as required.
- II.1.5) **Estimated total value**  
Value excluding VAT: 620 000.00 GBP
- 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:**  
Trees and Shrubs  
Lot No: 2
- II.2.2) **Additional CPV code(s)**  
03452000 Trees  
03451300 Shrubs
- II.2.3) **Place of performance**  
NUTS code: UKM76 Falkirk  
Main site or place of performance:  
Falkirk Council's area of Operations.
- II.2.4) **Description of the procurement:**  
Falkirk Council wishes to establish a framework agreement with suitably experienced suppliers for the supply and delivery of Trees and Shrubs. Supplied products must comply with the Government Buying Standards for horticultural and park services.  
Please refer to link provided and the specification within the ITT documentation for further details.  
<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/sustainable-procurement-the-gbs-for-horticulture-and-park-services>
- II.2.5) **Award criteria**  
Criteria below  
Quality criterion - Name: Qualitative / Weighting: 30  
Price - Weighting: 70
- II.2.6) **Estimated value**  
Value excluding VAT: 80 000.00 GBP
- II.2.7) **Duration of the contract, framework agreement or dynamic purchasing system**  
Start: 01/12/2020  
End: 30/11/2024  
This contract is subject to renewal: no
- II.2.10) **Information about variants**  
Variants will be accepted: no
- II.2.11) **Information about options**

Options: no

II.2.12) **Information about electronic catalogues**

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**

Economic operators may be excluded from this competition if they are in any of the situations referred to in regulation 58 of the Public Contracts (Scotland) Regulations 2015.

II.2) **Description**

II.2.1) **Title:**

Horticultural Sundries

Lot No: 3

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

03120000 Horticultural and nursery products

03121000 Horticultural products

03100000 Agricultural and horticultural products

II.2.3) **Place of performance**

NUTS code: UKM76 Falkirk

Main site or place of performance:

Falkirk Council's area of Operations.

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

Falkirk Council wishes to establish a framework agreement with suitably experienced suppliers for the supply and delivery of Horticultural Sundries.

Please refer to the specification within the ITT documentation for further details.

II.2.5) **Award criteria**

Criteria below

Quality criterion - Name: Qualitative / Weighting: 30

Price - Weighting: 70

II.2.6) **Estimated value**

Value excluding VAT: 60 000.00 GBP

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

Start: 01/12/2020

End: 30/11/2024

This contract is subject to renewal: no

II.2.10) **Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: no

II.2.11) **Information about options**

Options: no

II.2.12) **Information about electronic catalogues**

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**

Economic operators may be excluded from this competition if they are in any of the situations referred to in regulation 58 of the Public Contracts (Scotland) Regulations 2015.

II.2) **Description**

II.2.1) **Title:**

Turf Products  
Lot No: 4

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

03441000 Ornamental plants, grasses, mosses or lichens  
77314100 Grassing services  
03110000 Crops, products of market gardening and horticulture  
71421000 Landscape gardening services

II.2.3) **Place of performance**

NUTS code: UKM76 Falkirk  
Main site or place of performance:  
Falkirk Council's area of Operations.

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

Falkirk Council wishes to establish a framework agreement with suitably experienced suppliers for the supply and delivery of Turf Products.  
Please refer to the specification within the ITT documentation for further details.

II.2.5) **Award criteria**

Criteria below  
Quality criterion - Name: Qualitative / Weighting: 30  
Price - Weighting: 70

II.2.6) **Estimated value**

Value excluding VAT: 90 000.00 GBP

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

Start: 01/12/2020  
End: 30/11/2024  
This contract is subject to renewal: no

II.2.10) **Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: no

II.2.11) **Information about options**

Options: no

II.2.12) **Information about electronic catalogues**

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**

Economic operators may be excluded from this competition if they are in any of the situations referred to in regulation 58 of the Public Contracts (Scotland) Regulations 2015.

II.2) **Description**

II.2.1) **Title:**

Topsoil  
Lot No: 5

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

14212400 Soil

14212410 Topsoil

II.2.3) **Place of performance**

NUTS code: UKM76 Falkirk

Main site or place of performance:

Falkirk Council's area of Operations.

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

Falkirk Council wishes to establish a framework agreement with suitably experienced suppliers for the supply and delivery of Topsoil.

Please refer to the specification within the ITT documentation for further details.

II.2.5) **Award criteria**

Criteria below

Quality criterion - Name: Qualitative / Weighting: 30

Price - Weighting: 70

II.2.6) **Estimated value**

Value excluding VAT: 140 000.00 GBP

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

Start: 01/12/2020

End: 30/11/2024

This contract is subject to renewal: no

II.2.10) **Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: no

II.2.11) **Information about options**

Options: no

II.2.12) **Information about electronic catalogues**

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**

Economic operators may be excluded from this competition if they are in any of the situations referred to in regulation 58 of the Public Contracts (Scotland) Regulations 2015.

II.2) **Description**

II.2.1) **Title:**

Herbicides/Pesticides

Lot No: 6

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

24453000 Herbicides

24451000 Pesticides

II.2.3) **Place of performance**

NUTS code: UKM76 Falkirk

Main site or place of performance:

Falkirk Council's area of Operations.

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

Falkirk Council wishes to establish a framework agreement with suitably experienced suppliers for the supply and delivery of Herbicides & Pesticides.

Suppliers must evidence their Operational Systems, Training and Competency of Operatives in relation to the storage and handling of the products listed within the pricing schedule (Appendix A).

Please refer to the specification within the ITT documentation for further details.

II.2.5) **Award criteria**

Criteria below

Quality criterion - Name: Qualitative / Weighting: 30

Price - Weighting: 70

II.2.6) **Estimated value**

Value excluding VAT: 90 000.00 GBP

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

Start: 01/12/2020

End: 30/11/2024

This contract is subject to renewal: no

II.2.10) **Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: no

II.2.11) **Information about options**

Options: no

II.2.12) **Information about electronic catalogues**

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**

Economic operators may be excluded from this competition if they are in any of the situations referred to in regulation 58 of the Public Contracts (Scotland) Regulations 2015.

II.2) **Description**

II.2.1) **Title:**

Sport Line Marking

Lot No: 7

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

44810000 Paints

44812220 Water paints

37451710 Soccer field marking equipment

45212213 Sport markings works

II.2.3) **Place of performance**

NUTS code: UKM76 Falkirk

Main site or place of performance:

Falkirk Council's area of Operations.

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

Falkirk Council wishes to establish a framework agreement with suitably experienced suppliers for the supply and delivery of Sport Line Marking.

Please refer to the specification within the ITT documentation for further details.

II.2.5) **Award criteria**

Criteria below

Quality criterion - Name: Qualitative / Weighting: 30  
Price - Weighting: 70

II.2.6) **Estimated value**

Value excluding VAT: 30 000.00 GBP

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

Start: 01/12/2020

End: 30/11/2024

This contract is subject to renewal: no

II.2.10) **Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: no

II.2.11) **Information about options**

Options: no

II.2.12) **Information about electronic catalogues**

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**

Economic operators may be excluded from this competition if they are in any of the situations referred to in regulation 58 of the Public Contracts (Scotland) Regulations 2015.

II.2) **Description**

II.2.1) **Title:**

Play Grade Woodchip

Lot No: 8

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

03121000 Horticultural products

03416000 Wood waste

03417000 Scrap wood

II.2.3) **Place of performance**

NUTS code: UKM76 Falkirk

Main site or place of performance:

Falkirk Council's area of Operations.

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

Falkirk Council wishes to establish a framework agreement with suitably experienced suppliers for the supply and delivery of Play Grade Wood Chip. Supplied products must comply with the Government Timber Procurement Policy.

Please refer to link provided and the specification within the ITT documentation for further details.

<http://www.cpet.org.uk/uk-government-timber-procurement-policy/evidence-of-compliance/category-a-evidence/approved-schemes>

II.2.5) **Award criteria**

Criteria below

Quality criterion - Name: Qualitative / Weighting: 30

Price - Weighting: 70

II.2.6) **Estimated value**

Value excluding VAT: 70 000.00 GBP

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

Start: 01/12/2020

End: 30/11/2024

This contract is subject to renewal: no

II.2.10) **Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: no

II.2.11) **Information about options**

Options: no

II.2.12) **Information about electronic catalogues**

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**

Economic operators may be excluded from this competition if they are in any of the situations referred to in regulation 58 of the Public Contracts (Scotland) Regulations 2015.

II.2) **Description**

II.2.1) **Title:**

Finished Bedding Plants

Lot No: 1

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

03451100 Bedding plants

03121100 Live plants, bulbs, roots, cuttings and slips

II.2.3) **Place of performance**

NUTS code: UKM76 Falkirk

Main site or place of performance:

Falkirk Council's area of Operations.

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

Falkirk Council wishes to establish a framework agreement with suitably experienced suppliers for the supply and delivery of Finished Bedding Plants. Supplied products must comply with the Government Buying Standards for horticultural and park services.

Please refer to link provided and the specification within the ITT documentation for further details.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/sustainable-procurement-the-gbs-for-horticulture-and-park-services>

II.2.5) **Award criteria**

Criteria below

Quality criterion - Name: Qualitative / Weighting: 30

Price - Weighting: 70

II.2.6) **Estimated value**

Value excluding VAT: 60 000.00 GBP

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

Start: 01/12/2020

End: 30/11/2024

This contract is subject to renewal: no

II.2.10) **Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: no

II.2.11) **Information about options**

Options: no

II.2.12) **Information about electronic catalogues**

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**

Economic operators may be excluded from this competition if they are in any of the situations referred to in regulation 58 of the Public Contracts (Scotland) Regulations 2015.

**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:

It is a requirement of this tender that if the Bidder is UK based they must hold a valid registration with Companies House. Where the Bidder is UK based but not registered at Companies House they must be able to verify to the Council's satisfaction that they are trading from the address provided in the tender and under the Company name given.

III.1.2) **Economic and financial standing**

List and brief description of selection criteria:

A Credit safe credit scoring check will be ran on registered Company Name and Company Number provided by the bidder. Where the resulting Credit Rating score is less than 30/100 the bidder may be excluded from the tender process unless suitable financial information is

Provided that gives satisfactory assurances to the Council regarding financial risk in appointing the bidder to the contract.

Minimum level(s) of standards possibly required:

Employer's (Compulsory) Liability Insurance = GBP 10 Million

Public Liability Insurance = GBP 5 Million

Product Liability Insurance = GBP 5 Million

Motor Insurance = GBP 5 Million

III.1.3) **Technical and professional ability**

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

III.1.5) **Information about reserved contracts**

III.2) **Conditions related to the contract**

III.2.2) **Contract performance conditions:**

III.2.3) **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

**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: 5

IV.1.4) **Information about reduction of the number of solutions or tenders during negotiation or dialogue**

IV.1.6) **Information about electronic auction**

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**

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

Date: 14/09/2020

Local time: 11:00

IV.2.3) **Estimated date of dispatch of invitations to tender or to participate to selected candidates**

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**

Duration in months: 6 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)

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

Date: 14/09/2020

Local time: 11:00

Place:

Falkirk

Information about authorised persons and opening procedure:

Tender Opening Committee comprising Procurement Adviser and Governance personnel.

**Section VI: Complementary information**

VI.1) **Information about recurrence**

This is a recurrent procurement: yes

Estimated timing for further notices to be published:

August 2024

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:**

1) Bidders will be required to provide 2 examples from the past 3 years that demonstrate that they have the relevant experience to deliver the services/ supplies as detailed within the ITT documentation.

2) Bidders will be required to confirm whether they intend to subcontract and, if so, for what proportion of the contract.

3) The bidder must hold a UKAS (or equivalent) accredited independent third party certificate of compliance in accordance with BS EN ISO 9001 (or equivalent), OR provide responses in relation to 4D.1.2 A through to G in the in the ESPD(Scotland) Standard Statements v1.10.

4) The bidder must hold a UKAS (or equivalent) accredited independent third party certificate of compliance in accordance with BS OHSAS 18001 (or equivalent) or have within the last 12 months successfully met the assessment requirements of a construction — related scheme in registered membership of the Safety Schemes

in Procurement (SSIP) forum OR provide responses in relation to 4D.1.4a through to 4k in the ESPD(Scotland) Standard Statements v1.10

5) The Bidder must hold a UKAS (or equivalent) accredited independent third party certificate of compliance with BS EN ISO 14001 (or equivalent) or a valid EMAS (or equivalent) certificate or provide responses in relation to: A through to G in the ESPD(Scotland) Standard Statements v1.10.

The buyer is using PCS-Tender to conduct this ITT exercise. The Project code is 16529. For more information see: <http://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/info/InfoCentre.aspx?ID=2343>

A sub-contract clause has been included in this contract. For more information see: <http://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/info/InfoCentre.aspx?ID=2363>

Community benefits are included in this requirement. For more information see: <http://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/info/InfoCentre.aspx?ID=2361>

A summary of the expected community benefits has been provided as follows:

(a) All Suppliers on the Framework whose cumulative level of spend is greater than 30k GBP but less than 60k GBP during the term of the agreement will be required to provide at least six (No. 6) weeks of work experience. The Supplier will be required to meet with Falkirk Council's Employment and Training Unit to discuss implementation prior to contract start;

(b) All Suppliers on the Framework whose cumulative level of spend is greater than 60k GBP but less than 90k GBP during the term of the agreement will be required to provide at least twelve (No. 12) weeks of work experience. The Supplier will be required to meet with Falkirk Council's Employment and Training Unit to discuss implementation prior to contract start;

(c) All Suppliers on the Framework whose cumulative level of spend is greater than 90k GBP during the term of the agreement will be required to provide at least eighteen (No. 18) weeks of work experience. The Supplier will be required to meet with Falkirk Council's Employment and Training Unit to discuss implementation prior to contract start;

(d) Each job vacancy (including those in subcontractor organisations) is notified to the Falkirk Council Employment and Training Unit;

(e) The application of good equal opportunities recruitment procedures and management practices by the Supplier and subcontractors;

(f) The development of an operating framework to encourage sub-contractor compliance in order to achieve these training and employment objectives.

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VI.4) **Procedures for review**

VI.4.1) **Review body**

Official name: Falkirk Sheriff Court and Justice of the Peace

Postal address: Sheriff Court House Main Street Camelon

Town: Falkirk

Postal code: FK1 4AR

Country: United Kingdom

VI.4.2) **Body responsible for mediation procedures**

VI.4.3) **Review procedure**

VI.4.4) **Service from which information about the review procedure may be obtained**

VI.5) **Date of dispatch of this notice:**

13/08/2020