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**United Kingdom-Kirkwall: Air transport services  
2020/S 162-395337**

**Contract notice**

**Services**

**Legal Basis:**

Directive 2014/24/EU

**Section I: Contracting authority**

**I.1) Name and addresses**

Official name: Orkney Islands Council  
Postal address: Council Offices, School Place  
Town: Kirkwall  
NUTS code: UKM65 Orkney Islands  
Postal code: KW15 1NY  
Country: United Kingdom  
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**Internet address(es):**

Main address: <http://www.orkney.gov.uk>  
Address of the buyer profile: [https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search\\_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA00369](https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA00369)

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

**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 abovementioned address  
Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via: [www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk](http://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk)  
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**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:**

Provision of Air Services between Orkney Mainland (Kirkwall) and the Islands of Papa Westray, North Ronaldsay, Westray, Sanday, Stronsay and Eday  
Reference number: OIC/PROC/1083

**II.1.2) Main CPV code**

60400000 Air transport services

II.1.3) **Type of contract**

Services

II.1.4) **Short description:**

Orkney Islands Council (the Authority) has a requirement for the provision of an Inter Island Air Service operating to the six Outer North Isles under a Public Service Obligation (PSO), which establishes the minimum frequencies and sets the maximum fare levels provided to each of the isles.

II.1.5) **Estimated total value**

Value excluding VAT: 5 300 000.00 GBP

II.1.6) **Information about lots**

This contract is divided into lots: no

II.2) **Description**

II.2.1) **Title:**

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

50211200 Aircraft repair services  
60400000 Air transport services  
60410000 Scheduled air transport services  
60420000 Non-scheduled air transport services  
63730000 Support services for air transport

II.2.3) **Place of performance**

NUTS code: UKM65 Orkney Islands

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

The maintenance of scheduled air services between Orkney Mainland (Kirkwall) and the islands of Papa Westray, North Ronaldsay, Westray, Sanday, Stronsay, and Eday are essential to counter the islands peripherality, fragile economic base and depopulation of the islands. There is no rapid alternative means of transport to Kirkwall on the Orkney Mainland, and for onward connections with the Scottish Mainland. The designated services, which are currently operated by the air carrier Loganair Ltd, are essential for the maintenance of the economic and social fabric of the islands. They are used for access to essential services (e.g. educational, financial, commercial, professional, advisory and health) which cannot be provided locally; and are also used for tourism. Should these air services be withdrawn the upkeep of the airfields could be placed in jeopardy and this in turn would put at risk the vitally important air ambulance service (currently operated by helicopter) which provides the essential emergency medical link. In recognition of the importance of these services, subsidy is made available by Orkney Islands Council ('the Council') to subsidise the designated services.

II.2.5) **Award criteria**

Criteria below

Quality criterion - Name: Service delivery / Weighting: 35

Quality criterion - Name: Presentation / Weighting: 5

Price - Weighting: 60

II.2.6) **Estimated value**

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

Start: 01/04/2021

End: 31/03/2025

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**  
The contract value refers to the value of the 4-year contract duration.

### **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:  
As detailed in the ESPD documentation.
  - 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
  - III.1.5) **Information about reserved contracts**
- III.2) **Conditions related to the contract**
  - III.2.1) **Information about a particular profession**  
Execution of the service is reserved to a particular profession  
Reference to the relevant law, regulation or administrative provision:  
As stated in the procurement documentation.
  - III.2.2) **Contract performance conditions:**  
As stated in the procurement documentation.
  - 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**
  - 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: 20/10/2020

Local time: 12:00

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: 3 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)

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

Date: 20/10/2020

Local time: 12:00

Place:

Orkney.

Information about authorised persons and opening procedure:

The Public Contracts Scotland electronic postbox will be opened by 3 authorised Officers of the Council following the deadline for receipt of tenders, one of which will be the procurement manager.

**Section VI: Complementary information**

VI.1) **Information about recurrence**

This is a recurrent procurement: yes

Estimated timing for further notices to be published:

July/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:**

Orkney Islands Council reserves the right to cancel the procurement at any stage and not award a contract. The expenditure, work or effort undertaken by bidders prior to the award of any contract is accordingly a matter solely for the commercial judgement of bidders.

Late tenders will not be considered by the Council and all questions are to be submitted via the question and answers section of this contract advertisement on PCS.

An economic operator that suffers, or risks suffering, loss or damage attributable to a breach of duty under the Public Contracts (Scotland) Regulations 2015 may bring proceedings in the Sheriff Court or Court of Session. Tenderers should complete the ESPD (Scotland) document contained within the ESPD Module attached to this notice.

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The buyer has indicated that it will accept electronic responses to this notice via the postbox facility. A user guide is available at [https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/sitehelp/help\\_guides.aspx](https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/sitehelp/help_guides.aspx).

Suppliers are advised to allow adequate time for uploading documents and to dispatch the electronic response well in advance of the closing time to avoid any last minute problems.

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:

Community benefits – tenderers will be required to provide a method statement detailing how the following community benefits are achieved (supply chain development activity, working with schools, colleges and universities to offer work experience opportunities where appropriate and minimising negative environmental impacts, (for example impacts associated with vehicle movements and/or associated emissions and impacts on protected areas, buildings or sites).

(SC Ref:628073).

Download the ESPD document here: [https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/ESPD/ESPD\\_Download.aspx?id=628073](https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/ESPD/ESPD_Download.aspx?id=628073)

**VI.4) Procedures for review**

**VI.4.1) Review body**

Official name: Kirkwall Sheriff Court

Postal address: Watergate

Town: Kirkwall

Postal code: KW15 1PD

Country: United Kingdom

Telephone: +44 1856872110

**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:**

17/08/2020