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Dear Bidder

RMCB 053 – SECURITY & CLEANING PROVISION AT THE DARWIN SHOPPING CENTRE, SHREWSBURY

SHROPSHIRE COUNCIL

You have been invited to tender for the above requirement. With this letter please find copies of the following documents:

- Instructions to Tendering (for completion and return)
- Tender Response Document (for completion and return)
- Draft Contract (Including Specification)
- TUPE Confidentiality Undertaking

Tenders should be made on the enclosed Tender Response Document. Your Tender must be completed, signed and returned along with a signed copy of the instructions for tendering **through our Delta Tenderbox**. Please pay particular attention to the points below concerning the returning of tenders.

Returning of Tenders

The deadline for returning tenders is **noon on 7th November 2024** any tenders received after this time will not be accepted

- Tenders are to be submitted through Delta, our electronic tender portal
- Please ensure that you allow yourself at least two hours when responding prior to the closing date and time, especially if you have been asked to upload documents. If you are uploading multiple documents you will have to individually load one document at a time or you can opt to zip all documents in an application like WinZip. Failure to submit by the time and date or by the method requested will not be accepted.
- Once you upload documentation ensure you follow through to stage three and click the 'response submit' button. Failure to do so, will mean the documents won't be viewable by the Council.



www.shropshire.gov.uk General Enquiries: 0345 678 9000 Tenders **cannot** be accepted if:

- Tenders are received by post, facsimilie or email
- Tenders are received after 12 noon on the given deadline

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Other Details

Please note that if supplementary questions are raised by any tenderer prior to the closing of tenders and Shropshire Council decides that the answers help to explain or clarify the information given in the Tender Documents, then both the questions and the answers will be circulated to all enterprises invited to submit a tender. Please raise all clarification questions before the deadline of **28th October 2024**.

Please note the date for possible clarification interviews during the process is the 13th November 2024 (keep this date free in the event you are called for Interview).

Shropshire Council is purchasing on behalf of itself and any wholly owned local authority company or other entity that is deemed to be a contracting authority by virtue of the Council's involvement.

Please also note that Shropshire Council is committed to achieving Social Value outcomes through maximising the social, economic and/or environmental impact of all its procurement activity. Specific requirements for this contract are set out within the Tender Response Document and in addition for your further information the council's Social Value Framework guidance can be found at www.shropshire.gov.uk/doing-business-with-shropshire.council.

If you have any queries relating to this invitation to tender, please contact us through the Delta etendering portal.



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Yours faithfully





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INSTRUCTIONS FOR TENDERING

RMCB 053 – THE DARWIN SHOPPING CENTRE, SHREWSBURY – SECURITY & CLEANING PROVISION

Shropshire Council Instructions for tendering

Contract Description

The Council is seeking an experienced Shopping centre Security & Cleaning Provider with flair, resources, and an understanding of retailer's and client requirements.

Service level requirements and performance reporting is key for this contract with specific, although not exhaustive to include...

A prompt and reliable service throughout the contract

An uninterrupted service through the period of contractual changes

The service charge code states any contract should be based on 'good value for money' whilst ensuring a high level of service

The contract must include a specific "Contract Manager" who will be responsible for the contract mobilisation and all future contract requirements for the site

Regular performance review meetings with the Centre Management Team will be required

We will require specialist assistance, support and advice in regard to qualifying and entering industry awards or accreditations i.e. SCEPTRE, REVO

Innovation and continuous improvement

The appointment will be for 3 years, with an option to extend for a further two-year period subject to KPI performance.

Tenderers are required to identify all costs before submitting their tender, additional costs will not be accepted at a later date.

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1.0 Invitation to Tender

- 1.1 You are invited to tender for the provision of **Security & Cleaning Services of the Darwin Shopping Centre Shrewsbury** as detailed in the Tender Specification Document. Tenders are being invited to the period 1st January 2025 31st to December 2027. Thereafter, the contract may be extended for a further two years (up to 31st December 2029) subject to satisfactory performance during the initial contract term the agreement of the costs for the ensuing 24 months.
- **1.2** Tenders are to be submitted in accordance with the draft contract of Shropshire Council, and the instructions outlined within this document.
- **1.3** Tenders must be submitted in accordance with the following instructions. Tenders not complying in any particular way may be rejected by Shropshire Council (the Council) whose decision in the matter shall be final. Persons proposing to submit a Tender are advised to read the Invitation to Tender documentation carefully to ensure that they are fully familiar with the nature and extent of the obligations to be accepted by them if their Tender is accepted.
- **1.4** The Invitation to Tender documents must be treated as private and confidential. Tenderers should not disclose the fact that they have been invited to tender or release details of the Invitation to tender document other than on an "in confidence" basis to those who have a legitimate need to know or who they need to consult for the purpose of preparing the tender as further detailed in these Instructions for Tendering.
- **1.5** Tenderers shall not at any time release information concerning the invitation to tender and/or the tender documents for publication in the press or on radio, television, screen or any other medium without the prior consent of the Council.
- **1.6** The fact that a Tenderer has been invited to submit a tender does not necessarily mean that it has satisfied the Council regarding any matters raised in the pre-tender questionnaire submitted. The Council makes no representations regarding the Tenderer's financial stability, technical competence or ability in any way to carry out the required services. The right to return to any matter raised in any pre-tender questionnaire submitted as part of the formal tender evaluation is hereby reserved by the Council.
- **1.7** The Invitation to Tender is issued on the basis that nothing contained in it shall constitute an inducement or incentive nor shall have in any other way persuaded a tenderer to submit a tender or enter into a Contract or any other contractual agreement.
- **1.8** Shropshire Council is purchasing on behalf of itself and any wholly owned local authority company or other entity that is deemed to be a contracting authority by virtue of the Council's involvement.

2.0 <u>Terms and Conditions</u>

2.1 Every Tender received by the Council shall be deemed to have been made subject to the draft contract and these Instructions for Tendering unless the Council shall previously have expressly agreed in writing to the contrary.

2.2 The Tenderer is advised that in the event of their Tender being accepted by the Council, they will be required to undertake the required services.

3.0 <u>Preparation of Tenders</u>

3.1 Completing the Tender Response Document

- **3.1.1** Tenders should be submitted using the 'Tender Response Document' following the instructions given at the front of the document. The Tenderer's attention is specifically drawn to the date and time for receipt of Tenders and that no submission received after the closing time will be considered.
- **3.1.2** All documents requiring a signature must be signed;
 - a) Where the Tenderer is an individual, by that individual;
 - b) Where the Tenderer is a partnership, by two duly authorised partners;
 - c) Where the Tenderer is a company, by two directors or by a director and the secretary of the company, such persons being duly authorised for the purpose.
- **3.1.3** The Invitation to Tender Documents are and shall remain the property and copyright of the Council

3.2 Tender Preparation and Costs

- **3.2.1** It shall be the responsibility of Tenderers to obtain for themselves at their own expense all information necessary for the preparation of their Tender. No claim arising out of want of knowledge will be accepted. Any information supplied by the Council (whether in the Tender Documentation or otherwise) is supplied only for general guidance in the preparation of tenders.
- **3.2.2** Any Tenderer considering making the decision to enter into a contractual relationship with the Council must make an independent assessment of the Tender opportunity after making such investigation and taking such professional advice as it deems necessary.
- **3.2.3** Tenderers will be deemed for all purposes connected with their Tender submission where appropriate to have visited and inspected the Council, its assets, all the locations in respect of the delivery of the services/supplies/works and to have satisfied themselves sufficiently as to the nature, extent and character of the services supplies/works sought, and the human resources, materials, software, equipment, machinery, and other liabilities and other matters which will be required to perform the contract.
- **3.2.4** The Council will not be liable for any costs incurred by Tenderers in the preparation or presentation of their tenders.
- **3.2.5** Tenderers are required to complete all pricing schedules in the Invitation to tender documents. The terms "Nil" and "included" are not to be used but a zero or figures must be inserted against each item. Unit rates and prices must be quoted in pounds sterling and whole new pence.
- **3.2.6** It shall be the Tenderer's responsibility to ensure that all calculations and prices in the Tender documentation are correct at the time of submission.

- **3.2.7** The Tenderer is deemed to have made him/herself acquainted with the Council's requirements and tender accordingly. Should the Tenderer be in any doubt regarding the true meaning and intent of any element of the specification he is invited to have these fully resolved before submitting his Tender. No extras will be allowed for any loss or expense involved through any misunderstanding arising from his/her failure to comply with this requirement.
- **3.2.8** Any Tender error or discrepancy identified by the Council may be drawn to the attention of the Tenderer who will be given the opportunity to correct, confirm or withdraw the Tender.
- **3.2.9** The Tender Documents must be treated as private and confidential. Tenderers should not disclose the fact that they have been invited to tender or release details of the Tender document other than on an In Confidence basis to those who have a legitimate need to know or whom they need to consult for the purpose of preparing the Tender.

3.3 Parent Company Guarantee

It is a condition of contract that if the tendering company is a subsidiary then its Ultimate Group/Holding Company must guarantee the performance of this contract and provide a letter to that effect signed by a duly authorised signatory of the Ultimate Group/Holding Company if requested to do so by the Council. Where the direct parent company cannot provide an adequate guarantee in the opinion of the Council, the Council will look to another group or associate company, with adequate assets, to be the guarantor. In cases where the contract is with a Joint Venture Company (JVC) or a Special Purpose Vehicle (SPV) company, which may have two or more parent companies and which may not be adequately capitalised or have sufficient financial strength on its own to support the risk and obligations it has under the contract, 'joint and several' guarantees / indemnities from the parent companies of the JVC or SPV may be sought.

3.4 Warranty

The Tenderer warrants that all the information given in their Tender and if applicable their Request to Participate Questionnaire is true and accurate. The information provided will be deemed to form part of any contract formed under this contract.

The Tenderer warrants that none of their current Directors have been involved in liquidation or receivership or have any criminal convictions

4.0 <u>Tender Submission</u>

- **4.1** Tenders must be submitted strictly in accordance with the letter of instruction accompanying this Invitation to Tender. Tenders must be submitted by the deadline of **noon**, **7**th **November 2024**
- **4.2** No unauthorised alteration or addition should be made to the Specification and Tender Response Document, or to any other component of the Tender document. If any such alteration is made, or if these instructions are not fully complied with, the Tender may be rejected.
- **4.3** Qualified tenders may be submitted, but the Council reserves the right not to accept any such tender. The Council's decision on whether or not a Tender is acceptable will be final.

- **4.4** Tenderers should note that their Tender must remain open and valid and capable of acceptance for a period of at least 90 days.
- **4.5** Tenderers should note that Tenders and supporting documents must be written in English and that any subsequent contract, which may or may not be entered into, its formation, interpretation and performance, shall be subject to and in accordance with the laws of England and subject to the jurisdiction of the Courts of England and Wales.
- **4.6** Where Tender submissions are incomplete the Council reserves the right not to accept them.

5.0 Variant Bids

- **5.1** The Council is interested in alternative solutions which would provide and develop opportunities for savings in service costs, service improvement or other financial benefits. In particular, the Council wishes to encourage solutions which also deliver benefits and added value to the local economy, residents and the business community.
- **5.2** Tenderers may submit, at their discretion, a Tender offering a different approach to the project as a "Variant Bid". However, to permit comparability, at least one bid must be submitted strictly in accordance with the Invitation to Tender Documents(the "Compliant Tender"). Any Tender variant proposed must clearly state how it varies from the requirements of the Compliant Tender Documents, and be explicit in demonstrating the benefits that will accrue to the Council from adopting this approach. Tenderers will be required to identify which submission, in their view, demonstrates best value to the Council.
- **5.3** Variant Bids must contain sufficient financial and operational detail to allow any Variant Bid to be compared with the standard Tender, permitting its considerations in written form.

6.0 <u>Tender Evaluation</u>

- **6.1** The Tenderers may be called for interview to seek clarification of their tender or additional or supplemental information in relation to their tender. The presentations will not carry any weighting to the final score achieved by Tenderers, but will be used to clarify and moderate issues raised in the Tenderer's submissions. Any areas of discrepancy between submissions and information gained from the presentations will be reviewed and scores previously awarded will be amended if necessary.
- **6.2** If the Council suspects that there has been an error in the pricing of a Tender, the Council reserves the right to seek such clarification, as it considers necessary from the Tenderer in question.

7.0 <u>Clarifications</u>

- **7.1** Tenderers are responsible for clarifying any aspects of the tendering process and/or the Invitation to Tender documents in the manner described below.
- **7.2** If you are unsure of any section and require further clarification, please contact via our Delta Tenderbox.

- **7.3** Where appropriate, the Authorised Officer named above may direct the Tenderer to other officers to deal with the matter.
- 7.4 All queries should be raised as soon as possible (in writing), in any event not later than **28th October 2024**.
 - **7.5** All information or responses that clarify or enhance the tendering process will be supplied to all Tenderers on a uniform basis (unless expressly stated otherwise). These responses shall have the full force of this Instruction and where appropriate the Conditions of Contract. If a Tenderer wishes the Council to treat a question as confidential this must be expressly stated. The Council will consider such requests and will seek to act fairly between the Tenderers, whilst meeting its public law and procurement duties in making its decision.
 - **7.6** Except as directed in writing by the Authorised Officer, and confirmed in writing to a Tenderer, no agent or officer or elected Member (Councillor) of the Council has any express or implied authority to make any representation or give any explanation to Tenderers as to the meaning of any of the Tender Documents, or as to anything to be done or not to be done by a Tenderer or to give any warranties additional to those (if any) contained in the ITT or as to any other matter or thing so as to bind the Council in any way howsoever.

8.0 Continuation of the Procurement Process

- 8.1 The Council shall not be committed to any course of action as a result of:
 - i) issuing this Invitation to Tender;
 - ii) communicating with a Tenderer, a Tenderer's representative or agent in respect of this procurement exercise;
 - iii) any other communication between the Council (whether directly or through its agents or representatives) and any other party.
- **8.2** The Council reserves the right at its absolute discretion to amend, add to or withdraw all, or any part of this Invitation to Tender at any time during the tendering stage of this procurement exercise.
- **8.3** At any time before the deadline for receipt of tender returns the Council may modify the Invitation to Tender by amendment. Any such amendment shall be numbered and dated and issued by the Council to all participating tenderers. In order to give prospective Tenderers reasonable time in which to take the amendment into account in preparing its Tender return, the Council may in its sole discretion, extend the deadline for submission of the tender returns. The Council reserves the right to amend, withdraw, terminate or suspend all or any part of this procurement process at any time at its sole discretion.

9.0 <u>Confidentiality</u>

9.1 All information supplied by the Council in connection with or in these Tender Documents shall be regarded as confidential to the Council unless the information is already within the public domain or subject to the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

- **9.2** The Contract documents and publications are and shall remain the property of the Council and must be returned upon demand.
- **9.3** Tenderers shall ensure that each and every sub-contractor, consortium member and/or professional advisor to whom it discloses these papers complies with the terms and conditions of this ITT.
- **9.4** The contents of this Invitation to Tender are being made available by the Council on condition that:
- **9.4.1** Tenderers shall at all times treat the contents of the Invitation to tender and any related documents as confidential, save in so far as they are already in the public domain and Tenderers shall not, subject to the provisions relating to professional advisors, sub-contractors or other persons detailed below, disclose, copy, reproduce, distribute or pass any of the contents of the Invitation to tender to any other person at any time or allow any of these things to happen;
- **9.4.2** Tenderers shall not use any of the information contained in this Invitation to tender for any purpose other than for the purposes of submitting (or deciding whether to submit) the tender; and
- **9.4.3** Tenderers shall not undertake any publicity activity within any section of the media.
- **9.5** Tenderers may disclose, distribute or pass this Invitation to tender to their professional advisors, sub-contractors or to another person provided that:
- **9.5.1** this is done for the sole purpose of enabling an Invitation to tender to be submitted and the person receiving the Information undertakes in writing to keep the Invitation to Tender confidential on the same terms as if that person were the Tenderer; or
- **9.5.2** the Tenderer obtains the prior written consent of the Council in relation to such disclosure, distribution or passing of the Invitation to Tender; or
- **9.5.3** the disclosure is made for the sole purpose of obtaining legal advice from external lawyers in relation to the procurement or to any Contract(s) which may arise from it; or
- **9.5.4** the Tenderer is legally required to make such a disclosure.
- **9.6** The Council may disclose detailed information relating to the Invitation to Tender to its officers, employees, agents, professional advisors or Governmental organisations and the Council may make any of the Contracts and procurement documents available for private inspection by its officers, employees, agents, professional advisors, contracting authorities or Governmental organisations.

9.7 Transparency of Expenditure

Further to it's obligations regarding transparency of expenditure, the Council may be required to publish information regarding tenders, contracts and expenditure to the general public, which could include the text of any such documentation, except for any information which is exempt from disclosure in accordance with the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act to be determined at the absolute discretion of the Council.

10.0 <u>Freedom of Information</u>

- **10.1** Please note that from 1 January 2005 under the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act 2000, the public (included in this are private companies, journalists, etc.) have a general right of access to information held by public authorities. One of the consequences of those new statutory responsibilities is that information about your organisation, which Shropshire Council may receive from you during this tendering process may be subject to disclosure, in response to a request, unless one of the various statutory exemptions applies.
- **10.2** In certain circumstances, and in accordance with the Code of Practice issued under section 45 of the Act, Shropshire Council may consider it appropriate to ask you for your views as to the release of any information before we make a decision as to how to respond to a request. In dealing with requests for information under the Act, Shropshire Council has to comply with a strict timetable and it would therefore expect a timely response to any such consultation within five working days.
- **10.3** If, at any stage of this tendering process, you provide any information to Shropshire Council in the expectation that it will be held in confidence, then you must make it clear in your documentation as to the information to which you consider a duty of confidentiality applies. The use of blanket protective markings such as "commercial in confidence" will no longer be appropriate and a clear indication as to what material is to be considered confidential and why should be given.
- **10.4** Shropshire Council will not be able to accept that trivial information or information which by its very nature cannot be regarded as confidential should be subject to any obligation of confidence.
- **10.5** In certain circumstances where information has not been provided in confidence, Shropshire Council may still wish to consult with you as to the application of any other exemption such as that relating to disclosure that will prejudice the commercial interests of any party. However the decision as to what information will be disclosed will be reserved to Shropshire Council.

For guidance on this issue see: <u>http://www.ico.gov.uk</u>

11.0 Disqualification

- **11.1** The Council reserves the right to reject or disqualify a Tenderer's Tender submission where:
- **11.1.1** The tenderer fails to comply fully with the requirements of this Invitation to tender or is in breach of Terms and Conditions relating to Bribery and Corruption or is guilty of a serious or intentional or reckless misrepresentation in supplying any information required; or
- **11.1.2** The tenderer is guilty of serious or intentional or reckless misrepresentation in relation to its tender return and/or the procurement process.
- **11.1.3** The tenderer directly or indirectly canvasses any member, official or agent of the Council concerning the award of the contract or who directly or indirectly obtains or attempts to obtain information from any such person concerning any other Tender or proposed Tender for the services. The Canvassing Certificate must be completed and returned as instructed.
- **11.1.4** The Tenderer :

- a) Fixes or adjusts the amount of his Tender by or in accordance with any agreement or arrangements with any other person; or
- b) Communicates to any person other than the Council the amount or approximate amount of his proposed Tender (except where such disclosure is made in confidence in order to obtain quotations necessary for preparation of the Tender for insurance purposes); or
- c) Enters into an agreement or arrangement with any other person that he shall refrain from tendering or as to the amount of any Tender to be submitted; or
- d) Offers or agrees to pay or give or does pay or gives any sum of money, inducement or valuable consideration directly or indirectly to any person for doing or having done or causing or having caused to be done in relation to any Tender or proposed Tender for the services any act or omission.
- **11.2** Any disqualification will be without prejudice to any other civil remedies available to the Council and without prejudice to any criminal liability which such conduct by a Tenderer may attract. The Non-Collusive Tendering Certificate must be completed and returned as instructed.
- **11.3** The Council reserves the right to disqualify an Applicant from further participating in this procurement process where there is a change in the control or financial stability of the Tenderer at any point in the process up to award of a contract and such change of control or financial stability has a materially adverse effect on the Tenderer's financial viability or ability to otherwise meet the requirements of the procurement process.

12.0 <u>E-Procurement</u>

As part of its procurement strategy Shropshire Council is committed to the use of technology that can improve the efficiency of procurement. Successful Tenderers may be required to send or receive documents electronically. This may include purchase orders, acknowledgements, invoices, payment advices, or other procurement documentation. These will normally be in the Council's standard formats, but may be varied under some circumstances so as not to disadvantage small and medium suppliers.

13.0 Award of Contract

13.1 Award Criteria

The Award Criteria has been set out within the Tender Response Document accompanying this invitation to tender. The Council is not bound to accept the lowest or any Tender.

13.2 Award Notice

The Council will publish the name and addresses of the successful Tenderers where appropriate. The Contracting Authority reserves the right to pass all information regarding the outcome of the Tendering process to the Office of Fair Trading to assist in the discharge of its duties. Additionally, the Council will adhere to the requirements of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 and Tenderers should note this statutory obligation.

13.3 Transparency of Expenditure

Further to it's obligations regarding transparency of expenditure, the Council may also be required to publish information regarding tenders, contracts and expenditure to the general public, which could include the text of any such documentation, except for any information which is exempt from disclosure in accordance with the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act to be determined at the absolute discretion of the Council.

14.0 Value of Contract

Shropshire Council cannot give any guarantee in relation to the value of this contract.

15.0 <u>Acceptance</u>

- **15.1** Tenders must be submitted strictly in accordance with the terms of the Council's Invitation to Tender documentation and acceptance of the tender shall be conditional on compliance with this Tender Condition.
- **15.2** The Tender documentation including the Council's draft form of contract, the Tender Response document and these Instructions to Tender shall form the basis of the final binding agreement between the Contractor and the Council.
- **15.3** The Tenderer shall be prepared to commence the provision of the supply and services on the start date of the contract being 1st January 2025.

16.0 Payment Terms

Tenderers should particularly note that the principles governing public procurement require that, as far as is reasonably possible, payments for Goods, Works or Services are made after the provision. Therefore any indication of a pricing strategy within a Tender which provides for substantial payments at the outset of the Contract will be examined carefully to decide whether or not a Tender in such form can be accepted. If in the opinion of the Council such substantial payments appear excessive in relation to the requirements of the Contract the Council reserves, without prejudice to any other right to reject any Tender it may have, the right to require the Tenderer to spread such proportion of the costs as are considered excessive over the duration of the Contract.

17.0 <u>Liability of Council</u>

- **17.1** The Council does not bind himself to accept the lowest or any tender.
- **17.2** The Council does not accept any responsibility for any pre-tender representations made by or on its behalf or for any other assumptions that Tenderers may have drawn or will draw from any pre-tender discussions.
- **17.3** The Council shall not be liable to pay for any preparatory work or other work undertaken by the Tenderer for the purposes of, in connection with or incidental to this Invitation to Tender, or submission of its Tender response or any other communication between the Council and any other party as a consequence of the issue of this Invitation to Tender.

- **17.4** The Council shall not be liable for any costs or expenses incurred by any Tenderer in connection with the preparation of a Tender return for this procurement exercise, its participation in this procurement whether this procurement is completed, abandoned or suspended.
- **17.5** Whilst the Tender Documents have been prepared in good faith, they do not purport to be comprehensive nor to have been formally verified. Neither the Council nor any of its staff, agents, elected Members, or advisers accepts any liability or responsibility for the adequacy, accuracy or completeness of any information given, nor do they make any representation or given any warranty, express or implied, with respect to the Tender Documents or any matter on which either of these is based (including, without limitation, any financial details contained within the Specification and Contract Documentation). Any liability is hereby expressly disclaimed save in the event of fraud, or in the event of specific warranties provided within the Contract Documentation.
- **18.0** The Contractor agrees that where requested in writing during the term of any Agreement for the supply Goods Works or Services it will ensure that an appropriately authorised representative of the Contractor shall attend a Committee meeting of the Council upon being invited to do so by the Council

19.0 <u>Declaration</u>

We, as acknowledged by the signature of our authorised representative, accept that we have read and understood these Instructions to Tender and agree to be bound by them when submitting our tender response. We confirm that all the responses provided within our tender response are true and accurate and acknowledge and accept that, if successful in being appointed as the Contractor, our tender responses shall be included as part of the final binding agreement between the Contractor and the Council.



Tender Response Document

RMCB053 Security & Cleaning Provision Darwin Shopping centre, Shrewsbury

Name of TENDERING ORGANISATION (please insert)

Please also add your company name to the footer of each page of the returned document

Shropshire Council Tender Response Document

Security Provision Summary Specification:

Shropshire Council and the Charles Darwin Shopping centre is seeking a Security and Cleaning Provider The current contractor providing the service is OCS. Current staff hours are attached to this document; however, this should be used as a guide only as whilst TUPE transfer of the current team will apply in the award of the contract, your recommendations for changes to operating schedules are encouraged where you believe improvements / cost savings may be made. Any equipment deemed necessary to achieve the required standards must be provided by the contractor and costs recovered throughout the term of the contract.

We invite you to produce a tender which includes a full cost breakdown, equipment information, operational plan, start-up programme, health and safety policies, management supervision, reporting and measuring tools and relevant training policy on any equipment which will be beneficial or economical.

TUPE may apply and that bidders should take their own advice around the application. A separate schedule of hours is available.

The M&E function will now be in house and will not form part of the contract, however, it is expected that the security provider will work closely with this department to ensure the Shopping centre operates safely.

We are looking to work in partnership with the incoming supplier to reduce the impact of our property on the environment and promote sustainability with the aim to enter industry recognised awards. Certification to ISO 14001/18001 or higher is necessary to fulfil these criteria.

The appointment will be for 3 years, with an option to extend for a further two-year period.

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Security & Cleaning Provision Requirements

We expect a prompt and reliable service throughout the contract

We will expect an uninterrupted service through the period of contractual changes

The service charge code states any contract should be based on 'good value for money' whilst ensuring a high level of service

The contract must include a specific "Contract / Regional Manager" who will be responsible for the contract mobilisation and all future contract requirements for the site.

The Contract / Regional Manager must attend site at least twice per month or more frequently if required.

Regular monthly performance and finance review meetings (KPI) will be required.

Regular training, refresher and tool box talks must be available for the team to fulfil their roles.

We require a high level of professionalism and exceptional customer service from the security team.

Full support in maintaining, following and improving the current SLA's for the shopping centre

Provide a fully motivated and supported security team for the centre

Engage with Stakeholders, both internal and external as and when required along with any Social value and community engagement projects.

Instructions for the completion of this document

- 1. This document must be completed in its entirety with responses being given to <u>all</u> questions. If you are unsure of any section/question and require further clarification, please contact us via our Delta Tenderbox. You are recommended to keep a copy of all tender documents and supporting documents for your own records.
- 2. Tenderers must also complete and sign the four certificates in Sections A1 to A4. These must be signed;
 - a) Where the tenderer is an individual, by that individual;
 - b) Where the tenderer is a partnership, by two duly authorised partners;
 - c) Where the tenderer is a company, by two directors or by a director and the secretary of the company, such persons being duly authorised for the purpose.
- All questions require specific responses from you relating to the organisation named in Section B Part 1 Question 1.1 (a). All information supplied must be accurate and up to date. The Council reserves the right to refuse to consider your application if the Tender Response Document is not fully completed or is found to be inaccurate.
- 4. Where copies of certificates and other details are requested **a copy must** accompany your tender response.

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Evaluation Criteria

Tenders will be evaluated on the answers provided in this 'Tender Response Document'. The following criteria is made up of 'pass/fail' (selection criteria) questions and 'weighted marked' (award criteria) questions and shows how each section is to be marked.

Selection Criteria Pass/Fail Questions (Section B)

This information will be provided for proof of compliance and will be judged on a pass or fail basis. Applicants must comply with these issues to demonstrate their proven competency, financial stability, resources and other arrangements. Questions marked 'For information only' will <u>not</u> be assessed; however they must still be answered in full.

Section / Question No.	Selection Criteria
Section B Part 1	Supplier Information– For information only
Section B Part 2 Section 2	Grounds for Mandatory Exclusion
Section B Part 2 Section 3 - 8	Grounds for Discretionary Exclusion

In relation to discretionary exclusion grounds (section B part 3):-

Financial viability: Responses will be analysed and evaluated by the Authority's Audit sections and will include checks via an independent agency (currently Equifax).

If the financial analysis of the Applicant (please note financial information provided by consortium members will be evaluated to assess the Applicant consortium as a whole) gives cause for concern as to its ability to deliver the Contract, the Applicant will fail this section.

If the financial analysis of the Applicant does not give any cause for concern as to its ability to deliver the Contract – it shall be deemed to have passed the section.

Please note the Contracting Authority reserves the right to further check the Financial Stability and Capacity of an applicant prior to any award of contract in the manner set out above in order to ensure that they still pass that requirement.

For other Discretionary exclusion grounds: If in the opinion of the Contracting Authority the responses provided casts serious doubt on the Tenderer's ability to perform this contract, they may be excluded.

Award Criteria – Weighted Marked Questions

Tenders will be evaluated on the answers provided in this Tender Response Document and judged against the criteria shown in the table below. The following award criteria is made up of 'Quality' and 'Price' and shows how each criteria is to be weighted against each other.

Section / Question No.	Award Criteria	Weighting / Max Marks Available		
	Price 40% (400 marks)			
	Total Annual Fee for Providing Security and Cleaning Provision	30% / 300 max marks		
	Price for Providing Additional Equipment	10% / 100 max marks		
	Total for price	40% / 400 max marks		
	Quality 60% (600 marks)			
Section C / Q 1	Methodology for providing the service	10% / 100 max marks		
Section C / Q 2	Quality of Staffing & management of the contract	10% / 100 max marks		
Section C / Q 3	Quality of KPIs and relevant Documentation	10% / 100 max marks		
Section C / Q 4	Value for Money	10% / 100 max marks		
Section C / Q 5	Delivery of Training	10% / 100 max marks		
Section C / Q 6	Quality of Stakeholder and community engagement	10% / 100 max marks		
	Total for quality 60% / 600 max marks			

Quality Questions/ Scoring Scheme

Questions within the quality sections shown above will be scored using the following scoring scheme. Each answer from the questions identified below will be given a mark between 0 and 10 with the following meanings:

Assessment	Mark	Interpretation
Excellent	10	Exceeds the requirement. Exceptional demonstration by the Tenderer of how they will meet this requirement by their allocation of skills and understanding, resources and quality measures. Response identifies factors that demonstrate added value, with evidence to support the response.
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GoodAbove average demonstration by the Tenderer of how meet this requirement by their allocation of skills and understanding, resources and quality measures. Resp identifies factors that demonstrate added value, with ev to support the response.		understanding, resources and quality measures. Response identifies factors that demonstrate added value, with evidence	
	7		
Acceptable	Acceptable6Satisfies the requirement. Demonstration by the Tenderer of how they will meet th requirement by their allocation of skills and understanding resources and quality measures, with evidence to support response.		
	5		
Minor ReservationsSome minor reservations regarding how the this requirement by their allocation of skills and resources and quality measures, with limited		Satisfies the requirement with minor reservations Some minor reservations regarding how the Tenderer will meet this requirement by their allocation of skills and understanding, resources and quality measures, with limited evidence to support the response.	
3			
Serious2meet this requirement by their allocation of skills and understanding, resources and quality measures, with little		Considerable reservations regarding how the Tenderer will	
	1		
Unacceptable	0	Does not meet the requirement Does not comply and/or insufficient information provided to demonstrate how the Tenderer will meet this requirement by their allocation of skills and understanding, resources and quality measures, with little or no evidence to support the response.	

The use of odd numbers indicates an answer's allocated mark lies between definitions.

The tender receiving the highest initial mark for Quality Criteria overall will receive the full 600 marks available for Quality. Other tenders will receive a final mark that reflects the final % difference in the initial marks between those tenders and the tender receiving the highest initial mark for Quality overall.

Price Evaluation and scoring

The most competitively priced tender will receive the maximum mark for price being **400** marks. Less competitive tenders will receive a % of the maximum mark that represents the difference in cost between that tender and the most competitively priced tender.

The total annual value of the contract (as set out in the pricing schedule) and the rates for providing the service require a high level of detail within your pricing model which identifies ALL costs within the contract including your profit / margin % and value. The detail should include all staff and associated on costs, uniform, training, staff social, training, holiday and sickness cover, IT equipment, mobile phones, machinery, consumables and any other associated costs you feel appropriate to your cost submission

Section A: 1. Form of Tender

Form of Tender

Shropshire Council Tender for Security & Cleaning Provision

We confirm that this, our tender, represents an offer to Shropshire Council that if accepted in whole, or in part, will create a binding contract for the Security & Cleaning Provision at the prices and terms agreed and subject to the terms of the invitation to tender documentation and the Terms and Conditions, copies of which we have received.

Section A: 2. Non – Canvassing Certificate

Non-Canvassing Certificate

To: Shropshire Council (hereinafter called "the Council")

I/We hereby certify that I/We have not canvassed or solicited any member officer or employee of the Council in connection with the award of this Tender of any other Tender or proposed Tender for the Services and that no person employed by me/us or acting on my/our behalf has done any such act.

I/We further hereby undertake that I/We will not in the future canvass or solicit any member officer or employee of the Council in connection with the award of this Tender or any other Tender or proposed Tender for the Services and that no person employed by me/us or acting on my/our behalf will do any such act.

Non-collusive Tendering Certificate

To: Shropshire Council (hereinafter called "the Council")

The essence of selective tendering is that the Council shall receive bona fide competitive Tenders from all persons tendering. In recognition of this principle:

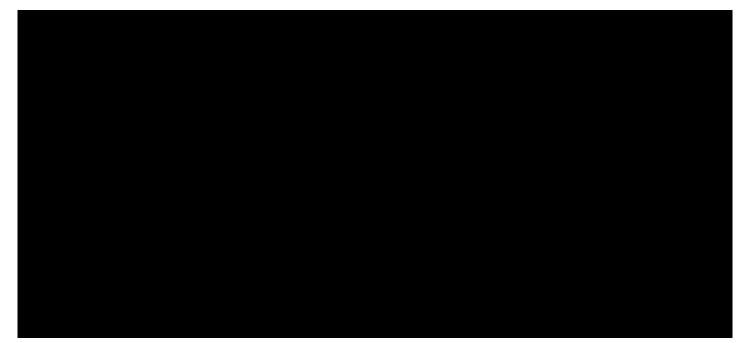
I/We certify that this is a bona fide Tender, intended to be competitive and that I/We have not fixed or adjusted the amount of the Tender or the rates and prices quoted by or under or in accordance with any agreement or arrangement with any other person.

I/We also certify that I/We have not done and undertake that I/We will not do at any time any of the following acts:-

- (a) communicating to a person other than the Council the amount or approximate amount of my/our proposed Tender (other than in confidence in order to obtain quotations necessary for the preparation of the Tender for insurance); or
- (b) entering into any agreement or arrangement with any other person that he shall refrain from Tendering or as to the amount of any Tender to be submitted; or
- (c) offering or agreeing to pay or give or paying any sum of money, inducement or valuable consideration directly or indirectly to any person for doing or having done or causing or having caused to be done in relation to any other Tender or proposed Tender for the Services any act or omission.

<u>Section A:</u> 4. Declaration of Connection with Officers or Elected Members of the Council

Are you or any of your staff who will be affected by this invitation to tender related or connected in any way with any Shropshire Council Elected Councillor or Employee?



Please note:

This information is collected to enable the Council to ensure that tenders are assessed without favouritism. Whether or not you have a connection with elected members or employees will have no bearing on the success of your tender, but your tender will not be considered unless this declaration has been completed.



SECTION B

Standard Selection Questionnaire

Potential Supplier Information and Exclusion Grounds: Part 1 and Part 2.

The standard Selection Questionnaire is a self-declaration, made by you (the potential supplier), that you do not meet any of the grounds for exclusion. If there are grounds for exclusion (there is an opportunity to explain the background and any measures you have taken to rectify the situation (we call this self-cleaning). For the list of exclusion please see

https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/551130/List_of_Mandatory_and_Discret_ionary_Exclusions.pdf

A completed declaration of Part 1 and Part 2 provides a formal statement that the organisation making the declaration has not breached any of the exclusions grounds. Consequently we require all the organisations that you will rely on to meet the selection criteria to provide a completed Part 1 and Part 2. For example these could be parent companies, affiliates, associates, or essential sub-contractors, if they are relied upon to meet the selection criteria. This means that where you are joining in a group of organisations, including joint ventures and partnerships, each organisation in that group must complete one of these self-declarations. Sub-contractors that you rely on to meet the selection criteria must also complete a self-declaration (although sub-contractors that are not relied upon do not need to complete the self-declaration).

When completed, this form is to be sent back to the contact point given in the procurement documents along with the selection information requested in the procurement documentation.

Supplier Selection Questions: Part 3

This document provides instructions on the selection questions you need to respond to and how to submit those responses. If you are bidding on behalf of a group (consortium) or you intend to use sub-contractors, you should complete all of the selection questions on behalf of the consortium and/or any sub-contractors.

If the relevant documentary evidence referred to in the Selection Questionnaire is not provided upon request and without delay we reserve the right to amend the contract award decision and award to the next compliant bidder.

Consequences of misrepresentation

If you seriously misrepresent any factual information in filling in the Selection Questionnaire, and so induce an authority to enter into a contract, there may be significant consequences. You may be excluded from the procurement procedure, and from bidding for other contracts for three years. If a contract has been entered into you may be sued for damages and the contract may be rescinded. If fraud, or fraudulent intent, can be proved, you or your responsible officers may be prosecuted and convicted of the offence of fraud by false representation, and you must be excluded from further procurements for five years.

Notes for completion

- 1. The "authority" means the contracting authority, or anyone acting on behalf of the contracting authority, that is seeking to invite suitable candidates to participate in this procurement process.
- 2. "You" / "Your" refers to the potential supplier completing this standard Selection Questionnaire i.e. the legal entity responsible for the information provided. The term "potential supplier" is intended to cover any economic operator as defined by the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 (referred to as the "regulations") and could be a registered company; the lead contact for a group of economic operators; charitable organisation; Voluntary Community and Social Enterprise (VCSE); Special Purpose Vehicle; or other form of entity.
- 3. Please ensure that all questions are completed in full, and in the format requested. If the question does not apply to you, please state 'N/A'. Should you need to provide additional information in response to the questions, please submit a clearly identified annex.
- 4. The authority recognises that arrangements set out in section 1.2 of the standard Selection Questionnaire, in relation to a group of economic operators (for example, a consortium) and/or use of sub-contractors, may be subject to change and will, therefore, not be finalised until a later date. The lead contact should notify the authority immediately of any change in the proposed arrangements and ensure a completed Part 1 and Part 2 is submitted for any new organisation relied on to meet the selection criteria. The authority will make a revised assessment of the submission based on the updated information.
- 5. For Part 1 and Part 2 every organisation that is being relied on to meet the selection must complete and submit the self-declaration.

The authority confirms that it will keep confidential and will not disclose to any third parties any information obtained from a named customer contact, other than to the Cabinet Office and/or contracting authorities defined by the regulations, or pursuant to an order of the court or demand made by any competent authority or body where the authority is under a legal or regulatory obligation to make such a disclosure.

1 See PCR 2015 regulations 71 (8)-(9)

Part 1: Potential supplier Information

Please answer the following questions in full. Note that every organisation that is being relied on to meet the selection must complete and submit the Part 1 and Part 2 self-declaration.

Section 1	Potential supplier information	
Question number	Question	Response
1.1(a)	Full name of the potential supplier submitting the information	
1.1(b) – (i)	Registered office address (if applicable)	
1.1(b) – (ii)	Registered website address (if applicable)	
1.1(c)	Trading status a) public limited company b) limited company c) limited liability partnership d) other partnership e) sole trader f) third sector g) other (please specify your trading status)	
1.1(d)	Date of registration in country of origin	
1.1(e)	Company registration number (if applicable)	
1.1(f)	Charity registration number (if applicable)	
1.1(g)	Head office DUNS number (if applicable)	
1.1(h)	Registered VAT number	
1.1(i) - (i)	If applicable, is your organisation registered with the appropriate professional or trade register(s) in the member state where it is established?	
1.1(i) - (ii)	If you responded yes to 1.1(i) - (i), please provide the relevant details, including the registration number(s).	
1.1(j) - (i)	Is it a legal requirement in the state where you are established for you to possess a particular authorisation, or be a member of a particular organisation in order to provide the services specified in this procurement?	
1.1(j) - (ii)	If you responded yes to 1.1(j) - (i), please provide additional details of what is required and confirmation that you have complied with this.	

1.1(k)	Trading name(s) that will be used if successful in this procurement.	
1.1(1)	Relevant classifications (state whether you fall within one of these, and if so which one) a) Voluntary Community Social Enterprise (VCSE) b) Sheltered Workshop c) Public Service Mutal	
1.1(m)	Are you a Small, Medium or Micro Enterprise (SME) ₂ ?	
1.1(n)	Details of Persons of Significant Control (PSC), where appropriate: 3 - Name; - Date of birth; - Nationality;	
	 - Country, state or part of the UK where the PSC usually lives; - Service address; - The date he or she became a PSC in relation to the company (for existing companies the 6 April 2016 should be used); 	
	 Which conditions for being a PSC are met; Over 25% up to (and including) 50%, More than 50% and less than 75%, 75% or more. (Please enter N/A if not applicable) 	
1.1(o)	Details of immediate parent company: - Full name of the immediate parent company - Registered office address (if applicable) - Registration number (if applicable) - Head office DUNS number (if applicable) - Head office VAT number (if applicable) (Please enter N/A if not applicable)	
1.1(p)	Details of ultimate parent company: - Full name of the ultimate parent company - Registered office address (if applicable) - Registration number (if applicable) - Head office DUNS number (if applicable) - Head office VAT number (if applicable) (Please enter N/A if not applicable)	

Please note: A criminal record check for relevant convictions may be undertaken for the preferred suppliers and the persons of significant in control of them.

2 See EU definition of SME - <u>https://ec.europa.eu/growth/smes/business-friendly-environment/sme-definition_en</u> 3 UK companies, Societates European (SEs) and limited liability partnerships (LLPs) will be required to identify and record the people who own or control their company. Companies, SEs and LLPs will need to keep a PSC register, and must file the PSC information with the central public register at Companies House. See PSC guidance.

Please provide the following information about your approach to this procurement:

Section 1	Bidding Model	
Question number	Question	Response
1.2(a) - (i)	Are you bidding as the lead contact for a group of economic operators?	
1.2(a) - (ii)	Name of group of economic operators (if applicable)	
1.2(a) - (iii)	Proposed legal structure if the group of economic operators intends to form a named single legal entity prior to signing a contract, if awarded. If you do not propose to form a single legal entity, please explain the legal structure.	
1.2(b) - (i)	Are you or, if applicable, the group of economic operators proposing to use sub-contractors?	
1.2(b) - (ii)		provide additional details for each sub-contractor to complete this form as well.
	Name	
	Registered address	
	Trading status	
	Company registration number	
	Head Office DUNS number (if applicable)	
	Registered VAT	
	Type of	
	SME (Yes/No)	
	The role each sub- contractor will take in providing the works and /or supplies e.g. key deliverables	
	The approximate % of contractual obligations assigned to each sub- contractor	

Contact details and declaration

I declare that to the best of my knowledge the answers submitted and information contained in this document are correct and accurate.

I declare that, upon request and without delay I will provide the certificates or documentary evidence referred to in this document.

I understand that the information will be used in the selection process to assess my organisation's suitability to be invited to participate further in this procurement.

I understand that the authority may reject this submission in its entirety if there is a failure to answer all the relevant questions fully, or if false/misleading information or content is provided in any section.

Section 1	Contact details and declaration	
Question Number	Question	Response
1.3(a)	Contact name	
1.3(b)	Name of organisation	
1.3(c)	Role in organisation	
1.3(d)	Phone number	
1.3(e)	E-mail address	
1.3(f)	Postal address	
1.3(g)	Signature (electronic is acceptable)	
1.3(h)	Date	

I am aware of the consequences of serious misrepresentation.

Part 2: Exclusion Grounds

Please answer the following questions in full. Note that every organisation that is being relied on to meet the selection must complete and submit the Part 1 and Part 2 self-declaration.

Section 2	Grounds for mandatory exclusion	
Question number	Question	Response
2.1(a)	has powers of representation, decision or co	ld be referred to before completing these you, your organisation or any other person who
	Participation in a criminal organisation.	
	Corruption.	
	Fraud.	
	Terrorist offences or offences linked to terrorist activities	
	Money laundering or terrorist financing	
	Child labour and other forms of trafficking in human beings	
2.1(b)	If you have answered yes to question 2.1(a), please provide further details. Date of conviction, specify which of the grounds listed the conviction was for, and the reasons for conviction, Identity of who has been convicted If the relevant documentation is available electronically please provide the web address, issuing authority, precise reference of the documents.	e
2.2	If you have answered Yes to any of the points above have measures been taken to demonstrate the reliability of the organisation despite the existence of a	

	relevant ground for exclusion? (Self Cleaning)	
2.3(a)	Regulation 57(3) Has it been established, for your organisation by a judicial or administrative decision having final and binding effect in accordance with the legal provisions of any part of the United Kingdom or the legal provisions of the country in which the organisation is established (if outside the UK), that the organisation is in breach of obligations related to the payment of tax or social security contributions?	
2.3(b)	If you have answered yes to question 2.3(a), please provide further details. Please also confirm you have paid, or have entered into a binding arrangement with a view to paying, the outstanding sum including where applicable any accrued interest and/or fines.	
2.4	Please confirm that you have in place, or that you will have in place by contract award, the human and technical resources to perform the contract to ensure compliance with the General Data Protection Regulation and to ensure the protection of the rights of data subjects	
2.4(a)	 Please provide details of the technical facilities and measures (including systems and processes) you have in place, or will have in place by contract award, to ensure compliance with the General Data Protection Regulation and to ensure the protection of the rights of data subjects. Your response should include, but should not be limited to facilities and measures: to ensure ongoing confidentiality, integrity, availability and resilience of processing systems and services; to comply with the rights of data subjects in respect of receiving privacy information, and access, rectification, deletion and portability of personal data; to ensure that any consent based processing meets standards of active, informed consent, and that such consents are recorded and auditable; to ensure legal safeguards are in place to legitimise transfers of personal data outside the EU (if such transfers will take place); to maintain records of personal data processing activities; and 	

 to regularly test, assess and evaluate the effectiveness of the above 	
measures.	

Please Note: The authority reserves the right to use its discretion to exclude a potential supplier where it can demonstrate by any appropriate means that the potential supplier is in breach of its obligations relating to the non-payment of taxes or social security contributions.

Section 3	Grounds for discretionary exclusion		
Question number	Question	Response	
	webpage (see link on page 11), which sho questions.	lusion of an organisation are set out on this ould be referred to before completing these ars, anywhere in the world any of the following	
	situations have applied to you, your organisation or any other person who has representation, decision or control in the organisation.		
3.1(a)	Breach of environmental obligations?		
3.1(b)	Breach of social obligations?		
3.1(c)	Breach of labour law obligations?		
3.1(d)	Bankrupt or is the subject of insolvency or winding-up proceedings, where the organisation's assets are being administered by a liquidator or by the cour where it is in an arrangement with creditors where its business activities are suspende or it is in any analogous situation arising from a similar procedure under the laws ar regulations of any State?	t, s, d	
3.1(e)	Guilty of grave professional misconduct?		
3.1(f)	Entered into agreements with other economic operators aimed at distorting competition?		
3.1(g)	Aware of any conflict of interest within the meaning of regulation 24 due to the participation in the procurement procedure	?	
3.1(h)	Been involved in the preparation of the procurement procedure?		
3.1(i)	Shown significant or persistent deficiencies in the performance of a substantive requirement under a prior public contract, a prior contract with a contracting entity, or a prior concession contract, which led to ear termination of that prior contract, damages or other comparable sanctions?	a a ly	

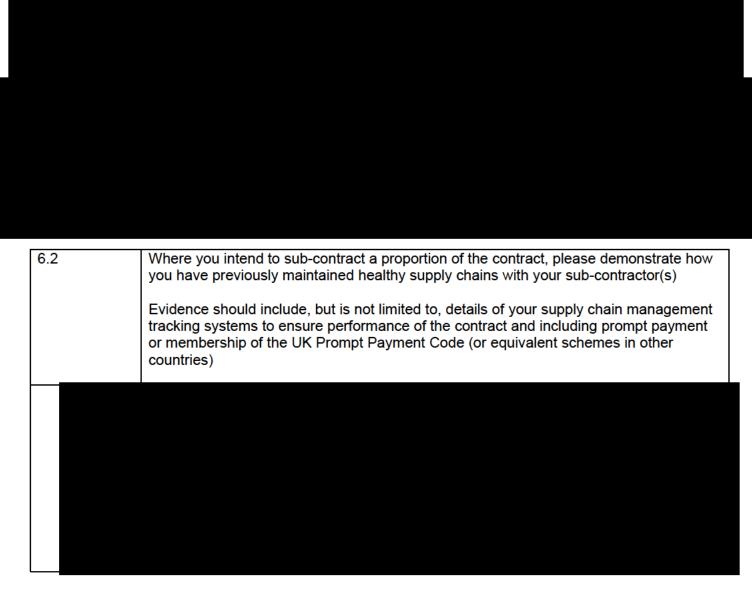
3.1(j)	Please answer the following statements	
3.1(j) - (i)	The organisation is guilty of serious misrepresentation in supplying the information required for the verification of the absence of grounds for exclusion or the fulfilment of the selection criteria.	
3.1(j) - (ii)	The organisation has withheld such information.	
3.1(j) –(iii)	The organisation is not able to submit supporting documents required under regulation 59 of the Public Contracts Regulations 2015.	
3.1(j)-(iv)	The organisation has influenced the decision-making process of the contracting authority to obtain confidential information that may confer upon the organisation undue advantages in the procurement procedure, or to negligently provided misleading information that may have a material influence on decisions concerning exclusion, selection or award.	
3.2	If you have answered Yes to any of the above, explain what measures been taken to demonstrate the reliability of the organisation despite the existence of a relevant	

Section 4	Economic and Financial Standing	
Question number	Question	Response
4.1	Are you able to provide a copy of your audited accounts for the last two years, if requested? If no, can you provide one of the following: answer with Y/N in the relevant box.	-
	 (a) A statement of the turnover, Profit and Loss Account/Income Statement, Balance Sheet/Statement of Financial Position and Statement of Cash Flow for the most recent year of trading for this organisation. 	
	(b) A statement of the cash flow forecast for the current year and a bank letter outlining the current cash and credit position.	
	(c) Alternative means of demonstrating financial status if any of the above are not available (e.g. forecast of turnover for the current year and a statement of funding provided by	

	the owners and/or the bank, charity accruals accounts or an alternative means of demonstrating financial status).
4.2	Where we have specified a minimum level of economic and financial standing and/ or a minimum financial threshold within the evaluation criteria for this procurement, please self-certify by answering 'Yes' or 'No' that you meet the requirements set out.

Section 5	If you have indicated in the Selection Questionnaire question 1.2 th wider group, please provide further details below:	at you are part of a
Name of or	ganisation	
Relationshi	p to the Supplier completing these questions	
5.1	Are you able to provide parent company accounts if requested to at a later stage?	
5.2	If yes, would the parent company be willing to provide a guarantee if necessary?	
5.3	If no, would you be able to obtain a guarantee elsewhere (e.g. from a bank)?	

Section 6	Technical and Professional Ability
6.1	Relevant experience and contract examples
	Please provide details of up to three contracts, in any combination from either the public or private sector; voluntary, charity or social enterprise (VCSE) that are relevant to our requirement. VCSEs may include samples of grant-funded work. Contracts for supplies or services should have been performed during the past three years. Works contracts may be from the past five years.
	The named contact provided should be able to provide written evidence to confirm the accuracy of the information provided below.
	Consortia bids should provide relevant examples of where the consortium has delivered similar requirements. If this is not possible (e.g. the consortium is newly formed or a Special Purpose Vehicle is to be created for this contract) then three separate examples should be provided between the principal member(s) of the proposed consortium or Special Purpose Vehicle (three examples are not required from each member).
	Where the Supplier is a Special Purpose Vehicle, or a managing agent not intending to be the main provider of the supplies or services, the information requested should be provided in respect of the main intended provider(s) or sub-contractor(s) who will deliver the contract.
	If you cannot provide examples see question 6.3



6.3	If you cannot provide at least one example for questions 6.1, in no more than 500 words please provide an explanation for this e.g. your organisation is a new start-up or you have provided services in the past but not under a contract.

Section 7	Modern Slavery Act 2015: Requirements under Modern Slavery Act 2015		
	Are you a relevant commercial organisation as defined by section 54 ("Transparency in supply chains etc.") of the Modern Slavery Act 2015 ("the Act")?		
	If you have answered yes to question 7.1 are you compliant with the annual reporting requirements contained within Section 54 of the Act 2015?		

6. Additional Questions

Suppliers who self-certify that they meet the requirements to these additional questions will be required to provide evidence of this if they are successful at contract award stage.

Section 8	Additional Questions
8.1	Insurance
	Please self-certify whether you already have, or can commit to obtain, prior to the commencement of the contract, the levels of insurance cover indicated below:

8.2	Skills and Apprentices 4–
a.	Please confirm if you will be supporting apprenticeships and skills development through this contract.
b.	If yes, can you provide at a later stage documentary evidence to support your commitment to developing and investing in skills, development and apprenticeships to build a more skilled and productive workforce and reducing the risks of supply constraints and increasing labour cost inflation?

4 Procurement Policy Note 14/15– Supporting Apprenticeships and Skills Through Public Procurement https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/456805/27_08_15_Skills_A pprenticeships_PPN_vfinal.pdf

8.3 - Compliance with equality legislation

For o	organisations working outside of the UK please refer to equivalent legislation i	in the country that		
	ou are located.			
1.	In the last three years, has any finding of unlawful discrimination been made against your organisation by an Employment Tribunal, an Employment Appeal Tribunal or any other court (or in comparable proceedings in any jurisdiction other than the UK)?			
2.	In the last three years, has your organisation had a complaint upheld following an investigation by the Equality and Human Rights Commission or its predecessors (or a comparable body in any jurisdiction other than the UK), on grounds or alleged unlawful discrimination? If you have answered "yes" to one or both of the questions in this module, please provide, as a separate Appendix, a summary of the nature of the			
	investigation and an explanation of the outcome of the investigation to date. If the investigation upheld the complaint against your organisation, please use the Appendix to explain what action (if any) you have taken to prevent unlawful discrimination from reoccurring. You may be excluded if you are unable to demonstrate to the Authority's			
	satisfaction that appropriate remedial action has been taken to prevent similar unlawful discrimination reoccurring.			
3.	If you use sub-contractors, do you have processes in place to check whether any of the above circumstances apply to these other organisations?			

8.4 – Environmental Management

1.	Has your organisation been convicted of breaching environmental legislation, or had any notice served upon it, in the last three years by any environmental regulator or authority (including local authority)? If your answer to the this question is "Yes", please provide details in a separate Appendix of the conviction or notice and details of any remedial action or changes you have made as a result of conviction or notices served. The Authority will not select bidder(s) that have been prosecuted or served notice under environmental legislation in the last 3 years, unless the Authority is satisfied that appropriate remedial action has been taken to prevent future occurrences/breaches.
2.	If you use sub-contractors, do you have processes in place to check whether any of these organisations have been convicted or had a notice served upon them for infringement of environmental legislation?

8.5 - Health & Safety

1.	Please self-certify that your organisation has a Health and Safety Policy that complies with current legislative requirements.
2.	Has your organisation or any of its Directors or Executive Officers been in receipt of enforcement/remedial orders in relation to the Health and Safety Executive (or equivalent body) in the last 3 years?
	If your answer to this question was "Yes", please provide details in a separate Appendix of any enforcement/remedial orders served and give details of any remedial action or changes to procedures you have made as a result.
	The Authority will exclude bidder(s) that have been in receipt of enforcement/remedial action orders unless the bidder(s) can demonstrate to the Authority's satisfaction that appropriate remedial action has been taken to prevent future occurrences or breaches.
3.	If you use sub-contractors, do you have processes in place to check whether any of the above circumstances apply to these other organisations?





Shropshire Council Shirehall Abbey Foregate Shrewsbury Shropshire SY2 6ND

Date: 29th November 2024 My Ref: RMCB 053 Your Ref: RMCB 053

Dear Bidder

RMCB 053 - THE PROVISION OF SECURITY AND CLEANING SERVICES AT DARWIN SHOPPING CENTRE

SUBJECT TO CONTRACT

This is an Award Decision Notice.

We are pleased to inform you that, following the evaluation process, Shropshire Council proposes to accept your offer in relation to the above Contract.

A mandatory standstill period is now in force; this period will end at midnight on 9th December 2024 Shropshire Council will not enter the proposed contract before this date.

The award criteria for this contract were set out in full in Invitation to Tender with quality accounting for 60% of the total marks and price accounting for 40% of the total marks.



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Section I: Contracting Authority

I.1) Name, Addresses and Contact Point(s): Shropshire Council Shirehall, Shrewsbury, SY2 6ND, United Kingdom

NUTS Code: UKG22

I.2) Joint procurement:

The contract involves joint procurement: No

In the case of joint procurement involving different countries, state applicable national procurement law: Not Provided

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body: No

I.4)Type of the contracting authority: Regional or local authority

I.5) Main activity: General public services

Section II: Object Of The Contract

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title: RMCB 053 - The Provision of Security at Darwin Shopping Centre Reference number: RMCB 053

II.1.2) Main CPV code:75241000 - Public security services.

II.1.3) Type of contract: SERVICES

II.1.4) Short description: This is an award notice for the provision of Security and Cleaning Services at Darwin Shopping Centre

The appointment will be for 3 years, with an option to extend for a further two year period.

II.1.6) Information about lots This contract is divided into lots: No

II.1.7) Total value of the procurement (excluding VAT) Value: 3,000,000

Currency:GBP

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s): Not Provided

II.2.3) Place of performance Nuts code: UKG22 - Shropshire CC

Main site or place of performance: Shropshire CC

II.2.4) Description of the procurement: This is an award notice for the provision of Security and Cleaning Services at Darwin Shopping Centre

The appointment will be for 3 years, commencing on 1 January 2025 with an option to extend for a further two year period.

II.2.5) Award criteria: Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 60

Cost criterion - Name: Price / Weighting: 40

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: The total value stated is the approximate value for the whole duration of the contract including extension periods.

Section IV: Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1)Type of procedure: Open

IV.1.3) Information about a framework agreement or a dynamic purchasing system The procurement involves the establishment of a framework agreement: No IV.1.6) Information about electronic auction An electronic auction has been used: No

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 in the OJEU: 2024/S 000-028762

IV.2.9) Information about termination of call for competition in the form of a prior information notice

The contracting authority will not award any further contracts based on the above prior information notice: No

Section V: Award of contract

Award Of Contract (No.1)

Contract No: Not Provided Lot Number: Not Provided Title: Not Provided

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract: 06/12/2024

V.2.2) Information about tenders
Number of tenders received: 26
Number of tenders received from SMEs: Not Provided
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: 26

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: No

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

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot: Not Provided Total value of the contract/lot: 3,000,000 Currency: GBP

V.2.5) Information about subcontracting The contract is likely to be subcontracted: No

Section VI: Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information: The contracting authority considers that this contract may be suitable for economic operators that are small or medium enterprises (SMEs). However, any selection of tenderers was based solely on the criteria set out for the procurement. To view this notice, please click here: https://www.delta-esourcing.com/delta/viewNotice.html?noticeId=905100430

VI.4) Procedures for review

- VI.4.1) Review body Shropshire Council Shrewsbury, United Kingdom Tel. +44 1743252993
- VI.4.3) Review procedure Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures: Not Provided
- VI.4.4) Service from which information about the review procedure may be obtained Not Provided
- VI.5) Date of dispatch of this notice: 06/01/2025