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South East & Mid Wales Civil Engineering and Highways Framework

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Key Facts

Framework reference:

21709CCC

Start Date:

1st January 2019

End Date:

31st December 2022

OJEU Contract Notice Ref:

2018/S 059-129608

OJEU Award Notice Ref:

2018/S 248-572389

Benefits of using the framework

- Flexible EU/ UK Compliant Framework
- Shorter lead times (compared to full OJEU)
- Sector specific suppliers – who have been assessed for financial stability along with experience, technical and professional ability
- Early Contractor Involvement
- Framework Management/ Procurement Team Support
- Social Value Levy & KPIs
- Promotes Socially Responsible Procurement and the core objectives of The Wellbeing of Future Generations Act 2015
- Variety of Contracts
- Maximum rates capped for 12 months
- Further savings via mini-competition
- Encourages Collaboration and Continuous Improvement between Buyers and Contractors cultivating long term relationships in an environment of transparent mutual trust and co-operation.

Scope

The South East Highways Framework (SEWH) offers a flexibility and a streamlined route to market for procuring capable and experienced Contractors for Highways and Civil Engineering Projects including the opportunity for Early Contractor Involvement for Minor Works (Renewals), Project Improvements, Surfacing and Surfacing Preservation projects up to the value of £10m.

The Framework is split into the following lots:

<p>LOT 1</p> <p>Torfaen, Blaenau Gwent, Monmouthshire and Caerphilly</p> <p>Minor works (Renewals) up to £150k</p>	<p>LOT 2</p> <p>RCT and Merthyr</p> <p>Minor Works (Renewals) up to £150k</p>	<p>LOT 3</p> <p>Bridgend, Vale of Glamorgan, Cardiff and Newport</p> <p>Minor works up to £150k</p>	<p>LOT 4</p> <p>Torfaen, Blaenau Gwent, Monmouthshire and Caerphilly</p> <p>Project (Improvements) £150k – £500k</p>
<p>LOT 5</p> <p>RCT and Merthyr</p> <p>Projects (Improvements) £150k – £500k</p>	<p>LOT 6</p> <p>Bridgend, Vale of Glamorgan, Cardiff and Newport</p> <p>Projects (Improvements) £150k – £500k</p>	<p>LOT 7</p> <p>All</p> <p>Projects (Improvements) £500k – £2m</p>	<p>LOT 8</p> <p>All</p> <p>Projects (Improvements) £2m – £5m</p>
<p>LOT 9</p> <p>All</p> <p>Projects (Improvements) £5m – £10m</p>	<p>LOT 10</p> <p>All</p> <p>Surfacing Up to £10m</p>	<p>LOT 11</p> <p>All</p> <p>Surfacing Preservation Up to £10m</p>	

Who can use the Framework?

- Welsh Government and associated trading bodies such as Transport for Wales
- Welsh Higher Education bodies as described at:
www.wales.com/study/universities-wales
- Welsh Further Education Colleges as described at:
www.collegeswales.ac.uk/Find-a-College
- NHS Local Health Boards and NHS Trusts in Wales
- Welsh Housing Associations/registered social landlords as described at:
www.gov.wales/topics/housing-and-regeneration/publications/registered-social-landlords-in-wales/?lang=en
- Welsh Local Authorities as described at:
www.gov.wales/topics/localgovernment/unitary-authorities/?lang=en
- Joint Ventures or collaborations between Welsh Local Authorities or any combination of the bodies listed above; and
- Any successors to any of the above bodies in the exercise of their statutory or public functions, including (without limitation), by reason of abolition, merger, boundary change, replacement or otherwise.

Framework Contractors



Alun Griffiths (Contractors) Ltd



Calibre Contracting Ltd



Centregreat Ltd



Dawnus Construction Holdings Ltd



DT Contracting Ltd



Dyer and Butler Ltd



Encon Construction Ltd



Hanson Quarry Products Europe Ltd



Horan Construction Ltd



Horizon Civil Engineering Ltd



Intervention Services Ltd



Jones Bros Ruthin (Civil Engineering) Co Ltd



Knights Brown Construction Ltd



Road Maintenance Services Ltd



Tarmac Trading Ltd



Walters UK Ltd

How to use the Framework

Selection Process A All Lots – Direct Award

The specific work package Bills of Quantities are populated by the Employer with the rates of all tenderers for the respective lot. In order to provide best value, if 80% (or more) items are covered by the schedule of rates, and the value of the rogue items are not expected to exceed 20% of the contract value, the lowest overall Contractor can be offered the work package after discussing the Works Information and Contract requirements.

Selection Process B All Lots – Mini Competition

The Call off Process will be commenced by the Employer issuing a mini competition tender to all Framework Suppliers in the relevant Lot. Please note that Contractors may ONLY be appointed for the lot in which they have been successfully selected for on the Framework.

The following weightings may be applied and should be chosen appropriately depending on the complexity of the works and the Employers requirements:

Weightings



Quality

100% Price

10% Quality and **90%** Price

20% Quality and **80%** Price

30% Quality and **70%** Price

40% Quality and **60%** Price

50% Quality and **50%** Price



Price

Social Value

What are the requirements of Contractors and Employers for SEWH Projects?

There is an increased focus on the delivery of social, economic, environmental and cultural well-being through the way in which the Public Sector manages its procurement activities.

The Framework Contractors have signed a Framework Social Value Charter to support the delivery of the three key Welsh Government Initiatives, these being:

- **Community Benefits** – drives the creation of employment and training opportunities including apprenticeships, support for small and medium sized enterprises and delivery of community, educational and environmental initiatives.
- **Code of Practice Ethical Employment in Supply Chains** – focuses on ensuring a high standard of ethical employment practices by our suppliers, service providers and contractors.
- **Opening Doors: the Charter for SME Friendly Procurement** – seeks to create a fair and open environment in which we can all do business together and address issues of particular concern to SMEs.

Along with any wider associated legislative and policy driven requirements and Employers own commitments, via project specific call-offs and any framework level initiatives throughout the duration of the Framework.

A mandatory Social Levy will be paid by the Contractor to the Framework Team on Lots 1-6. The Contractor when paying the Social Levy will not be expected to provide a Social Value Plan as an addition to the Social Levy but if they wish to report any inclusive Social Value they can do so.

From Lots 7-11, the Social Levy will be optional whereby the Employers will include within its Requests or Invitation to Tender project specific requirements as part of social value. The Contractor will be obliged to provide a plan of how it will deliver these as part of its submission and cannot request for the Social Levy to be paid as an alternative to providing these specific requirements. The Potential Employer will confirm within its Request or Invitation to Tender if the particular scheme does not lend itself to the delivery of social value and a Social Levy would be paid in its place.

The Social Levy collected by the Framework Team will be allocated to a Social Levy fund which will be distributed back to Employers to support initiatives.

Performance Management

In order to ensure the Contractors on the Framework are performing to the required standard, there are a number of Key Performance Indicators which are managed by the Framework Team. This is designed to ensure that the quality and performance of each Contractor is recorded and reported at the end of each project.

Accessing the Framework

1

Get in Touch

Contact the Framework Team: sewhighways@cardiff.gov.uk

2

Sign the Access Agreement

3

Log into the website to access documentation

4

Decide your procurement options

5

Notify us of your project via the website

Contact the Team

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