

2021-0089C Waste Recycling Centre Electric Vehicle Charging Infrastructure Upgrade

Islington Council invites suitable expressions of interest from contractors for 2021-0089 Waste Recycling Centre (WRC) Electric Vehicle (EV) Charging Infrastructure Upgrade.

Current status / Background

As part of Islington Council's commitment to improving air quality and achieving Net Zero Carbon by 2030, the Council will electrify its fleet of vehicles, including HGVs. This procurement exercise seeks contractors to design and install the upgraded electrical infrastructure that will in turn enable charge points to be installed as required by the growing EV fleet.

A single contractor will be procured for this undertaking at the Council's Waste and Recycling Centre (WRC) site. The design and installation will involve complex electrical works that need to be carried out by qualified persons with knowledge and expertise of this type of works.

On behalf of Islington Council, the Central London Sub-Regional Transport Partnership in 2019 commissioned UKPN Services to scope the electrification works required based on the borough's ambitions to scale up its EV fleet. This scoping document forms the technical basis for this project and provides an indicative approach to its delivery.

The requirement

The required output for this tender is an EV charging distribution system that includes:

- High Voltage connection from the grid to the WRC with a maximum capacity of 3200 kVA.
- Installation of any required infrastructure such as substations.
- Installation of Low Voltage (LV) wiring and any required infrastructure (such as feeder cabinets) to designated areas where the subsequent EV charge points will be installed.
- Capping off of LV wiring to required specifications at designated locations allowing for EV charge point installation. Note: EV charge point installation is not part of this tender.
- Carry out the final contestable closing joints connecting the site to the electrical network.
- Disconnection of the existing supply, removal of existing plant and/or switchgear where necessary.
- Supply and purchasing of all equipment and materials required for all works.
- All relevant electrical safety systems required for EV charging distribution system.
- Production of all detailed constructible designs for the EV charging distribution system to meet the capacity upgrade requirements within the context of the WRC.
- Production of all detailed constructible designs, which must be submitted to UK Power Networks for review and approved prior to the commencement of any Contestable Works.

Lots

This contract is not being split into lots because it is intended that a single contractor is appointed to design and build the entirety of the required works.

TUPE [Transfer of Undertakings (Protection of Employment) Regulations]

Potential providers must be aware that TUPE may or may not apply to this service. Further details will be available in the invitation to tender.

Contract Period

The contract period will be for 9 months from an estimated start date 01 October 2021

Contract Value

The estimated total value of this contract is £2.165m over the maximum 9 months term of the contract. However the Council is confident the bids received will be lower than the estimated value.

Award criteria

The contract will be awarded to the Most Economically Advantageous Tender (MEAT) in accordance with the Public Contracts Regulations. MEAT for this contract is quality 60% and cost 40%. Further details will be provided in the invitation to tender.

Cost 40%

Quality 60%

Quality made up of:

- Proposed approach to social value - proposed approach to community benefits and local wealth building, equality and diversity, health and safety and consideration of sustainability and the Islington Net Zero 2030 programme in delivery of the contract. (20%)
- Proposed approach to technical design, implementation, maintenance, adherence to contract schedule, business continuity; staffing levels/equipment and systems for delivery (30%)
- Proposed approach for management and supervision in delivering the contract – approach to efficiency, effective use of the supply chain, planned management structure with link to contract management matters with the Council and potential third parties (5%)
- Proposed approach to quality management throughout the lifetime of the contract - approach to quality assurance, monitoring performance, audit responses and maintaining quality (5%)

Total 100%

Tenderers should be aware that we reserve the right to hold site visits and/or presentations and/or interviews during the tender process. Site visits and/or presentations and/or interviews will be for verification/clarification purposes of the written submission.

We reserve the right to interview leading bidders.

Procurement Process

This contract will be procured using the Open Procedure. The Open Procedure means that all bidders who successfully express an interest will automatically be invited to tender and have access to the tender documents. Those who submit a tender and meet the minimum requirements will have their full tender, method statements and pricing evaluated.

How to express an interest

If you wish to apply for this contract please follow the steps below:

Register your company free of charge via the **London Tenders Portal**.

Link: <https://procontract.due-north.com>

Await acceptance. You will receive an email confirming your username and password.

Use your username and password to log into the London Tenders Portal and express your interest in 021-0089 Waste Recycling Centre Electric Vehicle Charging Infrastructure Upgrade- Category **34000000-7** - Transport equipment and auxiliary products to transportation; **34144900-7** - Electric vehicles; **45310000-3** - Electrical installation work; **45000000-7** - Construction work

Shortly after you have expressed interest, you will receive a second email containing a link to access the tender documents.

Deadlines

The deadline for expressions of interest is: 11.59am Thursday 08 July 2021

Submission of Tender documents by: 12noon Thursday 08 July 2021

Late submissions will not be accepted.

Additional information

- Islington Council and its partners are committed to work towards a 'Fairer Islington', for more information see www.islington.gov.uk.
- Please **do not** include any publicity material with your submissions.
- Islington Council aims to provide equality of opportunity and welcomes applicants who meet the qualitative selection criteria from black and minority ethnic communities and disabled groups.
- The Council encourages all types of organisation who meet the qualitative selection criteria including Voluntary and Community Sector (VCS) organisations, Social Enterprises or not for profit enterprises and small to medium enterprises (SME) to tender.

- Your submission will be marked in stages. Only applicants who meet the requirements at each stage will progress to the next stage. Further details will be contained in the tender documents.
 - Please include the Contract Number of this tender process when communicating with the Council in any way.
 - All questions relating to this contract should be raised via the question and answer section of the relevant contract on the London Tenders Portal. Please do not contact any officer of the council directly.
 - Applicants are advised that all costs incurred either directly or indirectly in preparation, submission or otherwise related to this advertisement will be borne by them, and in no circumstances will the council be responsible for any such costs. Applicants are also advised that the council at its sole discretion acting reasonably and in good faith reserves the right to abandon the procurement at any stage prior to contract award.
 - As part of a commitment to transparency the council is now publishing all spend over £500 each month. This includes spend on contracts, so the successful contractor should expect details of spend against the contract to appear on the council website [Islington Council: Council contracts](#). The council is also committed to publishing tender and contract documentation after contract award stage. Commercially sensitive information will be redacted from documentation. What constitutes commercially sensitive information is a matter for the council's sole discretion. However, tenderers will be invited to identify information they consider to be commercially sensitive in their tender return and this will be taken into account in the council forming a view.
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