



1920-0131 Testing and Maintenance of Fire Protection, Fire Detection and Emergency Lighting

Islington Council invites suitable expressions of interest from experienced contractors to undertake the testing and maintenance of Fire Protection, Fire Detection and Emergency Lighting Services. The council is looking for a single contractor to carry out this service.

Current status / Background

Islington Council has an in-house repairs team to carry out repairs and maintenance to our housing stock and related assets.

The council is seeking to appoint a single specialist contractor with multi-skilled electricians and engineers to deliver a first class fire detection and protection and emergency lighting service to support the in-house team.

The requirement

The aim is to support the in-house repair team services by providing an efficient and effective fire protection, detection and emergency lighting service. It is aimed at maintaining residential buildings (including estate blocks), community and receptions centre's installations in a fully efficient and safe working condition by carrying out all necessary testing, servicing and repairs.

This will include all types of servicing, testing and repair of the fire protection, detection and emergency lighting equipment, in line with a scheduled programme of works and the Cyclical Testing Maintenance Team's guidance and recommendations.

Examples of the equipment work which may be carried out to, under the current arrangements, includes but is not limited to:

- Extinguishers
- Dry Risers
- Sprinklers
- Emergency Lighting
- Fire Alarms

The Council requires a contractor who can provide an efficient, effective, customer focused service, is able to respond and complete works within the required timescales, to the required standard to ensure the council remains compliant with all relevant statutory requirements.

Lots

This contract is not being split into lots in order to ensure consistency across the service.

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 twenty four (24) months from an estimated start date 02/12/2019 with option to extend for a further two periods, of up to twelve (12) months each.

Contract Value

The estimated total value of this contract is £808,000 over the maximum forty eight (48) months term of the contract. This is based on £202,000 per annum. Any extension will be subject to satisfactory performance and future support requirements.

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 50% and cost 50%. Tender submissions will be subject to minimum quality as stated within the invitation to tender. Tenders not meeting the minimum requirements will not be considered. Further details will be provided in the invitation to tender.

Cost 50%

Cost (50%) shall be assessed by evaluation of the submitted price framework. Scores will be assigned to the prices by measuring each price against the lowest sustainably priced tender submitted. The lowest priced tender will achieve the maximum score and any prices above the lowest will be allocated a proportionate score.

Quality 50%

Quality made up of:

Proposed approach to mobilisation, resourcing, implementation and delivery of the contract 10%

Proposed approach to the delivery of servicing programmes within timescales, budget requirement and to quality standards 10%

Proposed approach to recruitment, retention and management of suitably skilled and qualified personnel 10%

Proposed approach to customer care, equalities and the delivery of social value 10%

Proposed approach to Health and Safety 10%

Full details will be available in the ITT documents.

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 1920-0131 Testing and Maintenance of Fire Protection, Fire Detection and Emergency Lighting - 50000000 Repair and maintenance services.

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 on 12/08/2019**.

Submission of tender documents by: **12 noon on 12/08/2019**.

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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