

INTRODUCTION

Salford City Council, on behalf of Islington Mill Arts Club CIC (IMAC), is notifying the market of an upcoming programme of capital works to renovate sections of two historic buildings in Salford, Manchester.

The main scheme elements are:

Islington Mill

- Making repairs to external elevations/structure and replacing windows, allowing for the 5th and 6th floors of Islington Mill to be brought back into use and securing the mixed arts use and ecology of the entire building.
- Creating a new lift and staircase on the southern elevation to serve all floors and making entire Islington Mill offer accessible to all.
- Providing new artist spaces on the 5th floor that will fill an acknowledged gap in the region for live-work artist spaces.
- Upgrading the public entranceways and access to the building.
- Upgrading services.

New Islington Mill

- Repairs and renewals to the existing building envelope.
- Open the Mill up on the South Elevation with an access proposed into the internal courtyard.
- Restore the original pattern of openings and external restoration to improve the building envelope.
- New internal lift installation.
- Internal refurbishment to provide new creative spaces, rehearsal spaces and co-working spaces at ground, first and second floors along with associated communal spaces.
- An external roof garden linked by a new external fire escape staircase.

The planned timetable for this procurement is;

PROJECT MILESTONE	START	END
Initial advertising of opportunity	07/01/2021	N/A
Tender opportunity live on CHEST portal	29/01/2021	N/A
Tender closing date	01/03/2021	N/A
Tender evaluation period	02/03/2021	12/03/2021
Council internal governance period	12/03/2021	07/04/2021
Notification letters issued and standstill period commences	08/04/2021	19/04/2021
Contractor mobilisation	21/04/2021	TBC

Please note the above timetable could be subject to change and is only indicative at this stage.

There is no requirement to complete any questionnaire at this stage, as the full tender documents will be made available on the Chest at the end of January 2021.

BACKGROUND & CONTEXT

IMAC is a leading independent UK arts organisation based in a grade 2 listed former spinning mill in Salford, in North West England, structured around an organic network of independent artists. IMAC

runs an innovative inter-disciplinary public arts programme and artists' residencies alongside studio spaces and an artists' bed and breakfast.

Drawing on the radical and subversive creative energy running through its arts activities, IMAC also has a reputation for putting on legendary experimental gatherings, events, and parties.

The Project is receiving financial support from Arts Council England (ACE), National Lottery Heritage Fund (NLHF), European Social Investment Fund (ESIF) and Salford City Council.

IMAC has appointed a Project Manager and a professional team.

The scheme has received planning permission and listed building consent from Salford City Council.

IMAC currently anticipates the total construction value of the Project will be in the region of £ 4,200,000 (GBP).

The scheme is expected to start on site in second quarter 2021.

CONTACT

If you are interested in this project and would like to visit the site; due to current COVID restrictions it will not be possible to hold internal site visits in the buildings. However, contractors are free to visit the site to look at the external elevations without appointment but will not be able to gain access to the site. Photographs showing the existing condition of both buildings have been appended to this notice.