**Background to Natural England**

Natural England are the government agency for nature conservation. Part of our remit is the management of National Nature Reserves. To undertake this work we require tools, machinery and equipment.

Purchase of front-end loader and bucket to fit Deutz AGROFARM 430GS

**Background to the specific work area relevant to this purchase**

Natural England manage Fenn's, Whixall & Bettisfield Mosses National Nature Reserve. The reserve requires a front-end loader and bucket to enable the safe movement, loading/unloading of materials both at the reserve base and on the wider NNR.

**Requirement**

Supply and installation of:

**Front-end loader** (to fit Deutz AGROFARM 430GS):

1785kg payload to 3.85m

Mechanical self level

MACH multi coupler

3rd function

Shock absorber

Easy plug

Sub frame bracket

EpilotS electric joystick

**Bucket:**

1.8M Premium

Tractor to be collected and returned to the address below:

Natural England, Manor House, Moss Lane, Whixall, SY13 2PD

Sustainability

Natural England protects and improves the environment and is committed to reducing the sustainability impacts of its activities directly and through its supply chains. We expect the Contractor to share this commitment and adopt a sound, proactive sustainable approach in keeping with the 25 yr environmental plan/our commitments compliant with all applicable legislation. This includes understanding and reducing direct and indirect sustainability impacts and realising opportunities, including but not restricted to; resilience to climate change, reducing greenhouse gas emissions, water use and quality, biosecurity, resource efficiency and waste, reducing the risk of pollution, biodiversity, modern slavery and equality, diversity & inclusion, negative community impacts.

As a delivery partner, the successful contractor is expected to pursue sustainability in their operations, thereby ensuring the Contracting Authority is not contracting with a supplier whose operational outputs run contrary to the Contracting Authority’s objectives. The successful contractor will need to approach the project with a focus on the entire life cycle of the project

Outputs and Contract Management

The outputs are delivery of the above list of equipment. The contract will be managed between the successful supplier and the Natural England project officer.