

Contract for:

Rooftop Garden –

Professional Services Principal Design Team: Technical studies, design and feasibility work - May 2023

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| Volume 2 Applicant’s Offer Invitation to TenderThis document must be completed and returned in the published format. Failure to comply with this instruction may result in your Submission being discounted |

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# Section 1 – General Notes

1. This document should be read in conjunction with the supporting information contained within Volume 1 “Invitation to Tender - Background Information, Instructions and Conditions of Tender”, Tender Brief (including appendices) document and Schedule 1 Price document.
2. This document and associated documents will form the basis of the Applicants formal tender response. Care should be taken to ensure that it is completed accurately and all information required to submit a compliant tender is done ahead of submitting any final response.

# Section 2 – Selection Questionnaire

1. This Tender is based on the Government Standards Questionnaire but noting that some sections may have been removed at the Town Council’s discretion. For full details around Government Standard Supplier Questionnaire please reference here:

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/ppn-0323-standard-selection-questionnaire-sq

1. The Council confirms that it will keep confidential and will not disclose to any third parties any information obtained from a named customer contact, other than to the Cabinet Office and/or contracting authorities defined by the regulations, or pursuant to an order of the court or demand made by any competent authority or body where the Council is under a legal or regulatory obligation to make such a disclosure.
2. The Applicants attention is further drawn to supporting guidance and information as included in “Volume 1” document related to this procurement process.

**Notes for completion**

1. The “authority” means the contracting authority, or anyone acting on behalf of the contracting authority, that is seeking to invite suitable candidates to participate in this procurement process.
2. “You” / “Your” refers to the potential supplier completing this standard Selection Questionnaire i.e. the legal entity responsible for the information provided. The term “potential supplier” is intended to cover any economic operator as defined by the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 (referred to as the “regulations”) and could be a registered company; the lead contact for a group of economic operators; charitable organisation; Voluntary Community and Social Enterprise (VCSE); Special Purpose Vehicle; or other form of entity.
3. Please ensure that all questions are completed in full, and in the format requested. If the question does not apply to you, please state ‘N/A’. Should you need to provide additional information in response to the questions, please submit a clearly identified annex.
4. The authority recognises that arrangements set out in section 1.2 of the standard Selection Questionnaire, in relation to a group of economic operators (for example, a consortium) and/or use of subcontractors, may be subject to change and will, therefore, not be finalised until a later date. The lead contact should notify the authority immediately of any change in the proposed arrangements and ensure a completed part 1 and part 2 is submitted for any new organisation relied on to meet the selection criteria. The authority will make a revised assessment of the submission based on the updated information.
5. For part 1 and part 2 every member of your bidding group/consortium, and any subcontractor that is being relied on to meet the selection criteria, must complete and submit the self-declaration.
6. For the mandatory exclusion grounds only (Q2.1(a)), you must complete the declaration for all relevant persons and entities. There are two categories of persons and entities:
* members of your administrative, management or supervisory board; secondly, entities and persons who have powers of representation, decision or control. You must decide, depending on the nature and structure of the entity or person who is bidding, which entities and persons this applies to in your particular circumstances. Clearly, members of your administrative, management or supervisory board should be easily identifiable and will cover company directors (or equivalent for other types of corporate entities) and members of an executive board.
* the second category of those with powers of representation, decision or control, is likely to be more complicated. As an illustration, entities or persons with 25% or more shareholding (or equivalent for other types of corporate entities) are likely to have powers or representation, decision or control, although those with a lower shareholding may still have the relevant powers depending on their particular rights. Similarly, your ultimate parent company (or equivalent for other types of corporate entities) is likely to have powers of representation, decision or control. Depending on your particular structure, intermediate parent companies who do not have a direct shareholding, directors or members of an executive board of your immediate parent company (for example in the case of an SPV set up specifically to bid for a particular contract), and holders of mortgages or liens may be covered. It isn’t necessary to identify which entities and persons you think are covered but you must be satisfied that your declaration is made in respect of all of those that are covered.
1. For answers to part 3 – If you are bidding on behalf of a group, for example, a consortium, or you intend to use subcontractors, you should complete all of the questions on behalf of the consortium and/ or any subcontractors, providing one composite response and declaration.
2. The Authority confirms that it will keep confidential and will not disclose to any third parties any information obtained from a named customer contact, other than to the Cabinet Office and/or contracting authorities defined by the regulations, or pursuant to an order of the court or demand made by any competent authority or body where the authority is under a legal or regulatory obligation to make such a disclosure.
3. The Public Procurement Review Service allows government suppliers and potential government suppliers to raise concerns anonymously about unfair public sector procurement practice. The government can then investigate and resolve these concerns for contracting authorities as listed in [Schedule 1](http://www.legislation.gov.uk/uksi/2015/102/schedule/1/made) of the Public Contracts Regulations 2015. To use the Public Procurement Review Service, [read the terms](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/mystery-shopper-scope-and-remit) and email publicprocurementreview@cabinetoffice.gov.uk or phone 0345 010 3503.

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| **Part 1: Your information and the bidding model.** |
| You must answer all questions in parts 1 and 2. If you are the supplier, you must answer all questions in part 3 as well. ***[Contracting Authorities to change this instruction if all members of the group or required to submit a completed part 3]*** |
| Bidders must ensure that every organisation on which they will rely to meet the selection criteria completes and submits their own answers and declaration for part 1 and 2. |

Yes **▢**

No **▢**

N/A **▢**

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| **Section 1** | **Your information** |
| **Question number** | **Question** | **Response** |
| 1.1(a) | Name (if registered, please give the registered name) |  |
| 1.1(b) – (i) | Registered address (if applicable) or head office address |  |
| 1.1(b) – (ii) | Registered website address (if applicable) |  |
| 1.1(c) | Trading statusa) - public limited companyb) - private limited companyc) - limited liability partnershipd) - other partnershipe) - sole traderf) - third sectorg) - other (please specify your trading status) |  |
| 1.1(d) | Date of registration (if applicable) or date of formation. |  |
| 1.1(e) | Registration number (company, partnership, charity, etc if applicable). |  |
| 1.1(f) | Registered VAT number. |  |
| 1.1(g) - (i) | Are you registered with the appropriate professional or trade register(s) specified for this procurement in the Member State where your organisation is established? | Yes **▢**No **▢**N/A **▢** |
| 1.1(g) - (ii) | If you responded yes to 1.1(g) - (i), please provide the relevant details, including the name of the register and registration number(s), and if evidence of registration is available electronically, please provide- the website address,- issuing body- reference number. |  |
| 1.1(h) - (i) | For procurements for services only, is it a legal requirement in the country where you are established for you to:a) possess a particular authorisation, orb) be a member of a particular organisation,to provide the requirements specified in this procurement? | Yes **▢**No **▢** |
| 1.1(h) - (ii) | If you responded yes to 1.1(h) - (i), please provide additional details of what is required, confirmation that you have complied with this and, if evidence of compliance is available electronically, please give the website address, issuing body and reference number. |  |
| 1.1(i) | Relevant classifications (state whether you fall within one of these, and if so which one)a) Voluntary Community Social Enterprise (VCSE).b) Sheltered Workshop.c) Public service mutual. |  |
| 1.1(j) | Are you a Small, Medium or Micro Enterprise (SME)[[1]](#footnote-2)? | Yes **▢**No **▢** |
| 1.1 (k) | Details of Persons with Significant Control (PSC)[[2]](#footnote-3), where appropriate[[3]](#footnote-4):- Name- Date of birth- Nationality- Country, state or part of the UK where the PSC usually lives- Service address- The date he or she became a PSC in relation to the company ;- Which conditions for being a PSC are met:- Over 25% up to (and including) 50%- More than 50% and less than 75%- 75% or more(Please enter N/A if not applicable) |  |
| 1.1(l) | Details of your immediate parent company:- Full name of immediate parent company,- Registered or head office address,- Registration number (if applicable),- VAT number (if applicable),Please enter N/A if not applicable) |  |
| 1.1(m) | Details of ultimate parent company:- Full name of ultimate parent company,- Registered or head office address,- Registration number (if applicable),- VAT number (if applicable),(Please enter N/A if not applicable) |  |
| Please note: A criminal record check for relevant convictions may be undertaken for the preferred supplier and all relevant persons and entities (as described above). |

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| **Please provide the following information about your approach to this procurement:** |
| **Section 1 (cont.)** | **Bidding model** |  |
| **Question number** | **Question** | **Response** |
| 1.2 | Please indicate if you are bidding as a single supplier or as part of a group or consortium?*If you are bidding as a single supplier please go to Q 1.3.*If you are bidding as part of a group or consortium (including where you intend to establish a legal entity to deliver the contract, or you are a subcontractor), please tell us:1. The name of the group/consortium.
2. The proposed structure of the group/consortium, including the legal structure where applicable.
3. The name of the lead member in the group/consortium.
4. Your role in the group/consortium (e.g. lead member, consortium member, subcontractor).
5. If you are the lead member in the group/consortium, whether you are relying on other consortium members to meet the selection criteria (i.e. are you relying on other consortium members for economic and technical standing and/or technical and professional ability?) and, if so, which criteria you are relying on them for
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| 1.3 | If you are proposing to use subcontractors please provide the details for each subcontractor[[4]](#footnote-5).- Name- Registration number- Registered or head office address,- Trading status1. Public limited company
2. Private limited company
3. Limited liability partnership
4. Other partnership
5. Sole trader
6. Third sector
7. Other (please specify your trading status)

- Registered VAT number- SME (Yes/No)- The role each subcontractor will take in providing the works and /or supplies e.g. key deliverables - if known- The approximate % of contractual obligations assigned to each subcontractor, if known- Is the subcontractor being relied upon to meet the selection criteria (i.e. are you relying on the subcontractor for economic and technical standing and/or technical and professional ability?) and, if so, which criteria are you relying on them for? |  |

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| **Part 2: Exclusion Grounds** |
| Please answer the following questions in full. Note that every organisation that forms part of your bidding group/consortium, as well as every organisation that is being relied on (including subcontractors being relied on) to meet the selection criteria must complete and submit responses to part 1 and the declarations in part 2. |
| **Section 2** | **Grounds for mandatory exclusion** |
| **Question number** | **Question** | **Declaration** |
| 2.1 (a) | Within the past five years, anywhere in the world, have you or any person who:* is a member of the supplier’s administrative, management or supervisory body or
* has powers of representation, decision or control in the supplier[[5]](#footnote-6),
* been convicted of any of the offences within the summary below and listed in full on the [webpage](https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/551130/List_of_Mandatory_and_Discretionary_Exclusions.pdf)?
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|  | Participation in a criminal organisation. | Yes **▢**No **▢** |
|  | Corruption.  | Yes **▢**No **▢** |
|  | Terrorist offences or offences linked to terrorist activities. | Yes **▢**No **▢** |
|  | Money laundering or terrorist financing. | Yes **▢**No **▢** |
|  | Child labour and other forms of trafficking in human beings. | Yes **▢**No **▢** |
|  | Any other offence within the meaning of Article 57(1) of the Directive as defined by the law of any jurisdiction outside England, Wales or Northern Ireland. | Yes **▢**No **▢** |
|  | Any other offence within the meaning of Article 57(1) of the Directive created after 26th February 2015 in England, Wales or Northern Ireland. | Yes **▢**No **▢** |
| 2.1(b) | **If you have answered yes to any part of question 2.1(a), please provide further details,** including:* date of conviction and the jurisdiction,
* which of the grounds listed the conviction was for,
* the reasons for conviction,
* the identity of who has been convicted.

If the relevant documentation is available electronically please provide:* the web address,
* issuing authority,
* precise reference of the documents.
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| 2.1(c) | If you have answered yes to any part of the question above please explain what measures have been taken to demonstrate your reliability despite the existence of relevant grounds for exclusion. (Self cleaning). |  |

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| **Section 3** | **Mandatory and discretionary grounds relating to the payment of taxes and social security contributions** |
| The detailed grounds for mandatory and discretionary exclusion of a supplier for non-payment of taxes and social security contributions, are set out on this [webpage](https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/551130/List_of_Mandatory_and_Discretionary_Exclusions.pdf),[[6]](#footnote-7) and should be referred to before completing these questions. |
| **Question number** | **Question** | **Declaration** |
| 3.2(a) | Please confirm that you have met all your obligations relating to the payment of taxes and social security contributions, both in the country in which you are established and in the UK.If documentation is available electronically please provide:* the web address,
* issuing authority,
* precise reference of the documents
 | Yes **▢**No **▢** |
| 3.2(b) | If you have answered no to 3.2(a) please provide further details including the following:* Country concerned,
* what is the amount concerned
* how the breach was established, i.e. through a judicial or administrative decision or by other means.
* if the breach has been established through a judicial or administrative decision please provide the date of the decision,
* if the breach has been established by other means please specify the means.
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| 3.3 | Please also confirm whether you have paid, or have entered into a binding arrangement with a view to paying, the outstanding sum including, where applicable, any accrued interest and/or fines. | Yes **▢**No **▢** |
| Please Note: We reserve the right to use our discretion to exclude your bid where we can demonstrate by any appropriate means that you are in breach of your obligations relating to the payment of taxes or social security contributions |

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| **Section 4** | **Grounds for Discretionary Exclusion** |
| The detailed grounds for discretionary exclusion of an organisation are set out on this [webpage](https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/551130/List_of_Mandatory_and_Discretionary_Exclusions.pdf),[[7]](#footnote-8) and should be referred to before completing these questions. |
| **Question number** | **Question** | **Declaration** |
| 4.1 | Within the past three years, anywhere in the world, have any of the situations summarised below and listed in full on the [webpage](https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/551130/List_of_Mandatory_and_Discretionary_Exclusions.pdf) applied to you? |  |
| 4.1(a) | Breach of environmental obligations?To note that environmental law obligations include Health and Safety obligations. See [webpage](https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/551130/List_of_Mandatory_and_Discretionary_Exclusions.pdf). | Yes **▢**No **▢** |
| 4.1(b) | Breach of social law obligations?  | Yes **▢**No **▢** |
| 4.1(c) | Breach of labour law obligations? | Yes **▢**No **▢** |
| 4.1(d) | Bankruptcy or subject of insolvency? |  Yes **▢**No **▢** |
| 4.1(e) | Guilty of grave professional misconduct? | Yes **▢**No **▢** |
| 4.1(f) | Distortion of competition? | Yes **▢**No **▢** |
| 4.1(g) | Conflict of interest? | Yes **▢**No **▢** |
| 4.1(h) | Been involved in the preparation of the procurement procedure? | Yes **▢**No **▢** |
| 4.1(i) | Prior performance issues? | Yes **▢**No **▢** |
| 4.1(j)4.1(j) - (i)4.1(j) - (ii)4.1(j) –(iii) | Do any of the following statements apply to you ?You have been guilty of serious misrepresentation in supplying the information required for the verification of the absence of grounds for exclusion or the fulfilment of the selection criteria.You have withheld such information.You are not able, without delay, to submit documents if/when required.You have undertaken to unduly influence the decision-making process of the contracting authority to obtain confidential information that may confer upon you undue advantages in the procurement procedure, or to negligently provide misleading information that may have a material influence on decisions concerning exclusion, selection or award. | Yes **▢**No **▢**Yes **▢**No **▢**Yes **▢**No **▢** |
| 4.2 | You are a relevant commercial organisation subject to Section 54 of the Modern Slavery Act 2015 if you carry on your business, or part of your business in the UK, supplying goods or services and you have an annual turnover of at least £36 million.If you are a relevant commercial organisation please -* confirm that you have published a statement as required by Section 54 of the Modern Slavery Act.
* confirm that the statement complies with the requirements of Section 54 and any guidance issued under Section 54.
 | Yes **▢**No **▢**Yes **▢**No **▢** |
| 4.3 | If your latest published statement is available electronically please provide:* the web address,
* precise reference of the documents.
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| 4.4 | If you have answered YES to any of the questions in 4.1, or NO to question 4.2, please explain what measures have been taken to demonstrate your reliability despite the existence of a relevant ground for exclusion. (Self cleaning) |  |

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| **Section 5** | **Additional Questions including Project Specific Questions** |
| **Question number** | **Question** | **Response** |
| **5.1** | **Insurance**Please confirm whether you already have, or can commit to obtain, prior to the commencement of the contract, the levels of insurance cover indicated below:Employer’s (Compulsory) Liability Insurance = £5mPublic Liability Insurance = £5mProfessional Indemnity Insurance = £2m\*There is a legal requirement for certain employers to hold Employer’s (Compulsory) Liability Insurance of £5 million as a minimum. See the Health and Safety Executive website for more information: http://www.hse.gov.uk/pubns/hse39.pdf | Yes **▢**No **▢**Yes **▢**No **▢**Yes **▢**No **▢** |
| **5.2** | **Health and Safety** Please describe the arrangements you have in place to manage health and safety effectively and control significant risks relevant to the requirement (including risks from the use of contractors, where relevant). Please use no more than 500 words.This may also include registration to relevant Health and Safety Schemes such as whether your organisation accredited to a SSIP accreditation scheme. If yes, please provide details e.g. Scheme / Registration Number |
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**Contact details and declaration**

I declare that to the best of my knowledge the answers submitted and information contained in this complete document are correct and accurate, including parts 1, 2 and part 3.

I declare that, upon request and without delay I will provide the certificates and/or documentary evidence referred to in this document except where this documentation can be accessed by the contracting authority via a national database free of charge or the contracting authority already possesses the documentation.

I understand that the information will be used in the selection process to assess my suitability to participate further in this procurement.

I understand that the authority may reject this submission in its entirety if there is a failure to answer all the relevant questions fully, or if false/misleading information or content is provided in any section.

I am aware of the consequences of serious misrepresentation.

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| Signature (electronic is acceptable) |  |
| Date |  |

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| **Contact details of those making the declaration** |
|  | Response |
| Contact name |  |
| Name of organisation |  |
| Role in organisation |  |
| Phone number |  |
| E-mail address |  |
| Postal address |  |

# Section 3 Specification for the provision of Consultancy Service

**Please see the accompanying “Tender Brief” (including appendices)**

# Section 4 Applicants Response to Tender

1. Section 4 to be completed by all Applicants looking to submit a formal response to this Tender. Please keep responses relevant but concise and succinct, supporting information may be include in appendices but please ensure these are clearly referenced to the specific response.
2. The below are pass fail questions, and in the event that you answer “no” to any of the questions then we will not evaluate your tender any further and will not be able to contract with you.

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| **Ref** | **PASS / FAIL QUESTIONS – Confirmation that Tender is submitted on the following understanding:** | **Please delete as appropriate** |
| 1 | You will have (and will maintain for the duration of the Contract) RIBA / RICS Status (or equivalent)Please state below which apply: | Yes / No |
| 3 | You will be appointed as Principal Designer as defined under the Construction Design Management (CDM) Regulations and appoint the nominated Contractors acting as coordinator to deliver the total project.<https://www.hse.gov.uk/construction/cdm/2015/principal-designers.htm>  | Yes / No |
| 2 | You will be contracting under the stated terms of Contract. | Yes / No |

Method Statement Responses:

1. Please detail your response in regard to this specific Method Statement.

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| **Method Statement Topic Areas – PAST EXPERIENCE AND HOW YOU WOULD UTILISE THIS** |
| **Council requirements for the Applicant’s response to this Method Statement:** You will have experience of similar projects creating options appraisals, business plans, architect, structural engineering and design services and landscaping schemes.Ideally you will have experience of the design of hospitality facilities and the creation of low carbon eco-friendly structures.You should provide some examples of your work or references that you are happy for us to contact about the work you have undertaken for them. This could include making reference to previous projects undertaken in the form of Case Studies.Your proposals should provide clear reference on how the experience you have would be utilised on this project to deliver meaningful quality outcomes. Please provide two references for your work.**WHAT DOES A STRONG RESPONSE LOOK LIKE?**A strong response would demonstrate that the Supplier has credible and transferable experience through related examples to the subject of what is required to this tender supported with case studies with positive testimonials and references. This response would also ensure that there is sufficient and proportional supporting information and evidence and how the past experience would be utilised to deliver the outcomes required in this tender. This would include details and examples of how, where and when you have:* Surveyed existing structures including undertaking structural engineering assessment;
* Designed garden and / or hospitality facilities and undertaken business planning for similar establishments;
* Designed drainage solutions in complex settings
* Achieved planning permission for similar developments (preferably in a town centre environment)
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| ***PLEASE ADD RESPONSE BELOW:*** |

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| **Method Statement Topic Areas - UNDERSTANDING AND DELIVERING THE BRIEF** |
| **Council requirements for the Applicant’s response to this Method Statement:** The Invitation to Tender documents provides details of the services required and importantly the setting in which those services are to be provided and as highlighted elsewhere and the support to be provided by the Council. As part of the Supplier’s response the Council would be seeking a submission that outlines the method and approach to be adopted in response to this brief and how this would contribute to successfully meeting the objective and required outcomes as set out. Please provide in your response your understanding of the aims of the project set out in the statement of requirements and the role that you would be expected to perform.We would be looking for you to highlight procedures, major issues, constraints, risks etc., and demonstrate your approach to achieving the objectives and importantly your understanding of the key principles to support a successful outcome.This should be in the form of a method statement for each phase that includes the approach and methodology to be applied in that phase and including the tools, techniques and processes you intend to follow. Please include an outline programme plan setting out your indicative support over the various stages.To meet the agreed timetable of progress reporting and other activity to be confirmed but as a minimum, a monthly written progress report to be provided to the Town Clerk for presentation to the monthly Partnership meetings. In addition, Programme Managers will be expected to provide verbal updates on significant developments or issues between formal reports to the Town Clerk.**WHAT DOES A STRONG RESPONSE LOOK LIKE?**A strong response would clearly evidence you understand the role and support which the appointed Professional Services Team would be expected to undertake, the scope and complexity of the overall scheme, the engagement with other partners as required outcomes.A strong response would include the submission of a methodology for undertaking the work which should include the following elements; * How individual consultants will work efficiently together with their team and others, identifying who is the lead consultant managing the day to day work;
* What you see as the main risks to the project success and how you will contribute to mitigate and manage them;
* What are the key objectives and elements of work and expertise you bring to them;
* Clear details on the methods and approach which you would undertake and confidence that the method and approach would be able to deliver quality outcomes to the satisfaction of the Council within the timeframe required.
* The tools, techniques and processes to be undertaken must be appropriately applied, proportional for the required delivery of the Contract and proven in delivering the outcomes required in this tender.

A strong response would also indicate an understanding of the proportional nature of the support required and how resources would be flexed appropriately to manage periods of more intense support versus other periods during the scheme duration where little or no active resource input would be needed. In short, a strong response would demonstrate you fully understand what is required and know how you would go about your role in this project.A strong response would clearly indicate an understanding of the requirements as set out within the Tender Brief and what is necessary to deliver high quality outcomes. It will clearly set out how each of the identified themes will be approached and met by the bidder.A strong response would clearly set out a structured approach to ensure that the Contract is delivered in a timely, orderly and professional manner.It would also clearly outline through the delivery of the contract how the objectives of the Council would be achieved and provide a high degree of confidence that the Contractor would be able to perform the Contract in line with the expectations set out by the Council.A strong response would clearly indicate an understanding of the requirements as set out and what is necessary at the respective stages of the overall programme. It will clearly set out the approach to be taken in the respective stages including both sign off from the Council at key stages and wider effective engagement with key stakeholders.A strong response would include an indicative programme and timeline which is credible in relation to the wider expectations of the Council’s vision and objectives. In addition, the response would provide clarity on expectations around response and delivery timescales for the services provided, as well as details on how issues would be escalated and resolved. It would set out key milestones with anticipated dates. Any variations with the submitted programme should be explained.A strong response would include:* Details and examples of how you propose to show you will complete the project to all deadlines as set by the Town Council in the agreed timetable including the condition to complete and present an interim report and a final report and a planning application in a form acceptable to Cornwall Council.
* Agreement to attend in person meetings in St Austell as agreed with a representative of the Town Council. (Zoom or Teams by exception).
* Agreement to meet the agreed timetable of progress reporting and other activity to be confirmed but as a minimum, a monthly written progress report to be provided to the Town Clerk for presentation to the monthly Partnership meetings. In addition, Programme Managers will be expected to provide verbal updates on significant developments or issues between formal reports to the Town Clerk.
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| ***PLEASE ADD RESPONSE BELOW:*** |

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| **Method Statement Topic Areas - THE PROFESSIONAL SERVICES TEAM:** |
| **Council requirements for the Applicant’s response to this Method Statement:** The Council is seeking a Supplier who can provide the Council with the necessary and proportional advisory, design and technical support.The Supplier would be able to provide members of the Team who have proven capability in delivery of support and advice on similar projects in urban, hospitality, amenity, open space and landscaping settings.Your response should provide strong evidence that you have key knowledge, experience and skills within the proposed team to undertake feasibility work, business planning, technical surveying and design and planning for the proposed project and how this experience and skills would be applied in any awarded contract. The key components of support which the Team would bring would include, but not limited to:* Urban / Town planning experience
* Design and architectural experience
* Structural and civil engineering
* Surveying
* Design and access statement
* Marketing and branding
* Hospitality
* Environmental consultancy and landscape experience
* Necessary financial acumen capabilities around assessment of options / funding streams and budget arrangements
* Benchmarking, survey and analytical skills that support credible research that supports credible findings and recommendations
* Commercial acumen to support robust consideration around funding and marketing considerations
* Excellent communication and stakeholder engagement skills

To support the work, it would be highly desirable for the consultant(s) to have knowledge, experience and skills in respect of working with the public sector, ideally local government, along with a strong understanding of engagement within and across diverse communities.Please provide CV details of all key members of your consultancy team, the roles they would perform in any contract and their day rates. Your proposal should include a clear budget breakdown.Provide detailed proposals regarding the staffing structure and the roles and responsibilities allocated to the staff:* Provide assurance that the staff will meet the requirements detailed in the Tender Brief
* An explanation of how the staff will be supported to deliver the services required
* Who will take the lead on delivering the strategic needs of the service
* The value which individuals allocated to the project can bring to support successful delivery.

**WHAT DOES A STRONG RESPONSE LOOK LIKE?**A strong response would provide clear assurance that the Supplier would be delivering the Contract with resources with relevant knowledge and skills required to deliver the outcomes set out in the Tender Brief in a manner that provides confidence and assurance around capacity and continuity of the team. A strong response would clearly indicate that the proposed team has the right blend of professional experience, knowledge and expertise required to work on such a high profile, complex project. The response would clearly indicate the roles which the individual team members would bring to the project and how this project would benefit from their experience, knowledge and expertise.This experience, knowledge and expertise would also look to demonstrate a clear connection to work on similar projects of similar scale within urban, hospitality, amenity, open space and landscaping settings and how this would benefit this project ideally with experience of working on grant funded projects.This could also include details on how staff are inducted and how they are trained and supported to be effective within all they do, and the assurance that they have the right and relevant skills and experience to undertake the roles required.We would be looking for details of the key individuals of the teams CV’s and the demonstration through this that they have the right professional experience, knowledge and expertise, and that this is transferable and relevant to this project. This would include details of projects that they have been involved in and the role that they played. The individuals indicated should be those that will work on the project. Additional skills and experience would include:* The ability to engage and deal effectively with a range of people;
* Excellent written communication skills;
* An awareness of related current political and legislative agendas;
* Excellent awareness of Regulatory elements such as building planning, environmental and community issues
* Negotiating and influencing skills;
* Administrative, time management and budgeting skills;
* Digital media and IT skills;
* The ability to use initiative and work well in a matrix team;
* Experience of partnership and collaborative working;
* Flexibility and creativity;
* Project management and leadership qualities.

Short CV’s of the key personnel who will be working on the project should be submitted – no more than two pages of A4 per consultant. These should highlight key project the person has worked on and should show projects that are similar in type to the required project. CV’s should include qualifications and summary of experience CV’s should state the exact role the consultant had in the quoted project.The response should provide specific details of the people you will call on and their skills and experience to undertake work in the following areas: planning, design, accessibility/inclusivity, building repurposing and public engagement. Where you do not possess specific professional experience in an area above, detail how you propose to meet that condition e.g. Appoint another individual or organisation under your supervision with the specific experience, skill or knowledge required to meet the condition. Provide the name and contact details of sub contractors.  |
| ***PLEASE ADD RESPONSE BELOW:*** |
| **Method Statement Topic Area - PARTNERING AND COLLABORATION:** |
| **Council requirements for the Applicant’s response to this Method Statement:** As noted elsewhere in this tender pack any resulting Contract with the Professional Services Team will be for support over a period of time, with a range of partner organisations plus a number of different contractors undertaking specific projects on the overall schemeAccordingly successful progress on the project will need to build upon a long-term arrangement across partners, to deliver the overall vision and objectives. The appointed team will play a critical part in supporting the Council and key stakeholders to achieve the intended outcomes. As with all such projects it is vital to ensure the right partners who both share the ethos but also understand how to work with other stakeholders in a matrix team setting and advance the project in a way that effectively balances and takes account of the individual stakeholder needs and expectations.Please provide details of your partnering ethos and experience and how you would look to bring your experience of working on complex / matrix collaborative projects to this project.**WHAT DOES A STRONG RESPONSE LOOK LIKE?**A strong response would be clear on how the Professional Services Team members would work with both the Council and key stakeholders and other contractors, the approach they would adopt and the experience and credentials they have elsewhere which they would bring to this project to make it a success.A strong response would include also an indication of a strong track record regarding successful contract and project management and working collaboratively with key stakeholders. It would provide confidence on how this track record could successfully be applied in relation to this actual Contract and the expertise which the team would bring to delivery of this in any awarded Contract.This would likely include details on how the Professional Services Team would support the Council in any necessary community and stakeholder engagement. A strong response would provide examples of how, where and when you have implemented and delivered a successful complex project in an environment with a number of stakeholders, plus show your compliance with Data Protection legislation and other legal conditions as appropriate, including supplying a statement of compliance or other confirmation. |
| **SUPPLIER RESPONSE:** |

# Section 5 Pricing Schedule

1. Applicants are required to complete the accompanying Schedule 1 - Pricing Schedule. These costs will form the basis of the Bid submission. All prices shall be stated in pounds sterling and exclusive of VAT. If there is no charge for an item, please state none. Any additional work will be based on the fee scale for all consultants as set out in Schedule 1.
2. The fee proposal should include all members of the proposed design team.
3. Payments to be made on completion of satisfactory sign off on Milestones to stages as outlined in Schedule 1 – Price.
4. Progress to further stages will depend on a range of factors including but not limited to future funding, overall project costs, business case considerations and performance during the initial stages.

**Price Validity Period**

1. As a minimum, all prices submitted must remain fixed and firm for twelve (12) months from date of Contract commencement. In support of this, please detail exactly how long your prices will remain fixed and firm for.

**Price Review Proposals**

1. The Council does not expect the Applicant to implement any price increases throughout the life of this Contract.

**Contract Renewal**

1. No Contract once awarded shall be renewed at a higher rate than agreed between the parties through this price review framework or through any other such agreement as submitted to and approved by the Authority in writing.

# Section 6 - Certificates and Declarations

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| **CONDITIONS OF TENDER** |
| **Reference number and Title of Contract:** Shall be as per the Reference Number and Title of Contract as detailed on the front page of this Volume Two (2) Applicant’s Offer |
| 1. | By submitting a Tender, Applicants are agreeing to be bound by the terms and conditions without further negotiation or amendment.[ ]  I/We fully accept the terms and conditions of contract for the provision of goods/works/services |
| 2. | Having examined the tender documents for the provision of the above goods/works/services, we offer to provide the said goods/works/services in conformity, without qualification, therewith for the sum/sums enclosed at Schedule 5 of this Bid. |
| 3. | The Authority does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any Tender, and reserves the right to accept a Tender either in whole or in part, for such item or items specified in the Invitation to Tender, and for such place or places of delivery as it thinks fit, each item and establishment being for this purpose considered as tendered for separately. |
| 4. | I/We the undersigned DO HEREBY UNDERTAKE on the acceptance by the Authority of my/our Tender either in whole or in part, to supply (*or perform the services*), on such terms and conditions and in accordance with such specifications *(if any)*, as are contained or incorporated in the Invitation to Tender. I/We agree and declare that the acceptance of this Tender by letter on behalf of the Authority, whether for the whole or part of the items included therein, will constitute a Contract for the supply of such items, I/We agree to enter into a further agreement for the due performance of the Contract, and I/We declare that I am/We are acting as the Delegated Authority for the purposes of signing off this Tender, and therefore, the Contract. |

**Pricing Schedule Declaration**

I / We offer to supply the goods or services as per the pricing schedule above, in accordance with the Specification, terms and conditions and all other documents forming the Contract.

**Certificate of Undertaking and Absence of Collusion or Canvassing**

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| **CERTIFICATE OF UNDERTAKING AND ABSENCE OF COLLUSION OR CANVASSING** |
| The Applicant shall sign the below Certificate of Undertaking and Absence of Collusion clearly indicating whether they sign as a Consortium or Member of Consortium (Box A), or as a single body and/or individual (Box B) by striking through Box A or B, whichever does not apply. |
| Box A – ConsortiumI/We the undersigned do hereby certify that:- 1. the consortium’s tender is bona fide and intended to be competitive;
2. the consortium has not entered into any agreement with any person outside the consortium with the aim of preventing Tenders being made or asked the amount of another Tender or the conditions of which the Tender is made;
3. the consortium has not informed any person outside the consortium other than the person calling for the Tenders the amount or approximate amount of the Tender except where the disclosure in confidence of the approximate amount of the Tender was necessary to obtain insurance premium or other quotations necessarily required for the preparation of the Tender;
4. the consortium has not caused or induced any person to enter into such an agreement as is mentioned in (b) above or to inform the consortium of the amount or the approximate amount of any rival Tender for the Contract.
5. the consortium has not and will not canvass or solicit any Member, Officer or employee of the Authority in connection with the preparation, submission and evaluation of this Tender or award or proposed award of the Contract and that to the best of my knowledge and belief, no person employed by the consortium or acting on the consortium’s behalf has done or will do such an act.
6. I/We further undertake that the consortium will not do any of the acts mentioned in (b), (c), (d) and (e) above before the hour and date specified for the return of the Tender.
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| Box B – Single Body and/or IndividualI/We the undersigned do hereby certify that:-1. My/our Tender is bona fide and intended to be competitive and I/we have not fixed or adjusted the amount of the Tender by or in accordance with any agreement or arrangement with any other person;
2. I/we have not indicated to any person other than the person calling for the Tender the amount or approximate amount of the proposed Tender except where the disclosure in confidence of the approximate amount of the Tender was necessary to obtain insurance premium or other quotations necessarily required for the preparation of the Tender;
3. I/we shall have not entered into any agreement or arrangement with any other person that they shall refrain from Tendering or asked the amount of any Tender to be submitted;
4. I/we have not offered to pay or give any sum of money or valuable consideration directly or indirectly to any person for doing or having done or causing or having caused to be done in relation to any other Tender or proposed Tender for the said work any act or thing of the nature specified and described above.
5. I/we hereby certify that I/we have not and will not canvass or solicit any Member, Officer or employee of the Authority in connection with the preparation, submission and evaluation of this Tender or award or proposed award of the Contract and that to the best of my knowledge and belief, no person employed by me/us or acting on my/our behalf has done or will do such an act.
6. I/we further undertake that I/we will not do any of the acts mentioned in (b), (c) and (d) above before the hour and date specified for the return of the Tender.
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**Certificate of Confidentiality**

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| **CERTIFICATE OF CONFIDENTIALITY** |
| I/we hereby agree with the Authority that I/we shall not at any time divulge or allow to be divulged to any person any information, confidential or otherwise, relating to information passed to me regarding this project.It is appreciated by the parties that in the event of negotiations in respect of the proposed Contract being entered into between the Authority and my organisation that it may be necessary to share information with colleagues within my organisation. In this event this confidentiality clause may be waived to allow such information sharing to take place but not further or otherwise. |

**Commercially Sensitive Information**

The Authority may be obliged to disclose information in or relating to this Bid following a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) or Environmental Information Regulations (EIR). Please outline in the table below items which you consider are confidential and genuinely commercially sensitive and which should not be disclosed in respect of your Bid. I declare that I wish the following information to be designated as Commercially Sensitive.

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The reason(s) it is considered that this information should be exempt under Freedom of Information Act FOIA) or Environmental Information Regulations (EIR) is:

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**Conflict of Interest**

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| **CERTIFICATE OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST** |
| I/we hereby notify the Authority that I/we consider the following declaration to be a conflict of interest (Applicant to insert details of the conflict of interest): |
| I/we hereby understand that in accordance with Article 24 of the Public Contract Regulations 2015 that the Authority is obliged to take appropriate measures to effectively prevent, identify and remedy conflicts of interest arising in the conduct of procurement procedures so as to avoid any distortion of competition and to ensure equal treatment of all economic operators. |

**Signatures**

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| Signed\*:  | Date:  |
| Name *(in block capitals)*:  |
| In the capacity of: *(State official position, i.e. Director, Manager, etc.)* |
| *\*(It must be clearly shown whether the Applicant is a limited company, statutory corporation, partnership or single individual, trading under his own or another name, and also if the signatory is not the actual Applicant, the capacity in which they sign or are employed).* |

1. See definition of SME <https://ec.europa.eu/growth/smes/business-friendly-environment/sme-definition_en> [↑](#footnote-ref-2)
2. UK companies, Societates European (SEs) and limited liability partnerships (LLPs) are required to identify and record the people who own or control their company. Companies, SEs and LLPs are required to keep a PSC register, and must file the PSC information with the central public register at Companies House. See [PSC guidance](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/guidance-to-the-people-with-significant-control-requirements-for-companies-and-limited-liability-partnerships). Overseas bidders are required to provide equivalent information. [↑](#footnote-ref-3)
3. Only information that relates to the persons with powers of representation, decision or control within the meaning of regulation 57(2) can be considered in relation to the mandatory exclusion grounds and other details are requested for information only. [↑](#footnote-ref-4)
4. This applies to all supply chain members and/or subcontractors, where their identity is known at this stage, irrespective of whether you are relying on them to meet the selection criteria. Where a supply chain member and/or subcontractor has been identified in response to this question, any resulting subcontract entered into with that subcontractor for that part of the works, services or supplies identified in response to that question will not be subject to the requirement for contracts to advertise the subcontracting opportunity, as set out in PPN 01/18. [↑](#footnote-ref-5)
5. see Notes for Completion [↑](#footnote-ref-6)
6. <https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/551130/List_of_Mandatory_and_Discretionary_Exclusions.pdf> [↑](#footnote-ref-7)
7. <https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/551130/List_of_Mandatory_and_Discretionary_Exclusions.pdf> [↑](#footnote-ref-8)