

Birmingham Museums Trust

Resilient Heritage: Laying the Foundations

Invitation to Tender

Introduction

Birmingham Museums Trust (BMT) are inviting Tenders from appropriately qualified companies, individuals, and collaborations to help deliver work in connection with the first phase of a fundamental transformation of BMT to a resilient and financially sustainable organisation.

The following tenders are included in this phase, and advertised as below:

Advert 2 to be issued 30th January 2024:

- Lot 2.1 Citizens Jury
- Lot 2.2 Evaluation Strategy

Tenderers are welcome to apply for multiple Tenders.

For information Advert 1 was issued 15th December with return date of 2nd February for the following lots:

- Lot 1.1 Business Strategy
- Lot 1.2 Market Research

There will be one further tender exercise for Communications support later in the year.

Tender Instructions

Tenders should be via our Project Manager, Focus Consultants. During the Tender period, should the Tenderer wish to submit questions or seek clarification on any information contained within this pack, they should be issued via the administration@focus-consultants.com with the Subject heading: Laying the Foundations.

We have recorded a Project Launch Event that explains the project further.

If you would like a to receive a recording of this event then please email administration@focus-consultants.com

If successful in being shortlisted for interview, interviews will be held on 20th March 2024.

Procurement Programme

Description	Date
Advert issued	30/01/2024
Deadline for submission of queries	22/02/2024
Answers issued by	27/02/2024
Tender deadline	01/03/2024
Interviews	20/03/2024
Appointment	27/03/2024
Contract commences	05/04/2024

All responses to the specification will be scored by a panel using a weighted scoring system based on a 30:70 split between Price and Quality criteria respectively. Tenders will be evaluated against the following Criteria:

	Criterion Weighting:	
1	Portfolio of candidate - Including CV(s) and Case Studies of Success.	20%
2	Anticipated programme for the work.	10%
3	Your approach to the brief including identifying any potential barriers or challenges.	40%
4	Fee proposal and breakdown, including any additional expenses over and above your core fee.	30%

All responses will be assessed based on the following Scoring Methodology:

	Scoring Methodology	
10	Superior or outstanding compliance	Well exceeds the specified requirements.
9	Significantly exceeds requirements	Excellent response which surpasses all requirements and is fully substantiated.
8	Exceeds compliance	Very satisfactory response/more than adequate response to requirements and well substantiated.

7	Full compliance	Adequate response to requirements and appropriately substantiated.
5-6	Satisfactory compliance	Contains minor deficiencies preventing full compliance.
4-3	Marginal Compliance	Contains certain material deficiencies preventing full compliance.
1-2	Unsatisfactory Response	Does not meet minimum requirements or is inadequately substantiated.

Final scores will be agreed following an evaluation ratification meeting, and these scores will then be weighted according to the weightings listed in the table above.

Where candidates have applied for just part of the brief then they will be assessed against the elements of the scope that they are pitching for only and will not be marked down because they don't fulfil all of the scope requirements.

The formula used to calculate the weighted scores for each of the Criteria is the score given to each Criteria multiplied by the weighting factor shown for that Criteria i.e. Question Weighted Score (%) = (Tenderer's score/5) x Question Weighting.

The lowest price submission will receive maximum marks. The remaining Admitted Participants' prices will be compared with the lowest and receive a proportion of the marks based on how their price relates to the lowest price.

Pricing Weighted Score (%) = (Lowest Price / Admitted Participant's Price) x Question Weighting

Please submit your pricing information by setting out key tasks, resource, and associated fee.

Admitted Participants should note that the prices quoted in their Tender Return shall remain valid for acceptance for a minimum of 90 days from the tender return date.

The price shall be indicated exclusive of VAT.

The price shall be inclusive of all out-of-pocket expenses, including (without limitation) telecommunication, copying, printing, photography, materials, report preparation and publication, presentation materials, travel, subsistence, and accommodation.

Admitted Participants should note that the Evaluation Panel does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any Tender Return and reserves the right to accept or reject a Tender Return either in whole or in part, the right to reject a qualified Tender Return and the right to cancel the Tender Exercise at any point.

The Client is not liable for any costs resulting from any cancellation of this Tender Exercise or for any other costs incurred by those tendering for this Tender Exercise.

The Evaluation Panel may enter into Post Tender Clarification following receipt of the Tender Returns and reserves the right (but is not obliged) to seek clarification of any aspect of an Admitted Participant's Tender Return during the evaluation stage where necessary for the purpose of carrying out a fair evaluation.