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Contract

## **University of Sunderland - Minor Works (Main Contractors Framework)**

University of Sunderland

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-00382e-integration

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### **Section I: Contracting authority/entity**

#### **I.1) Name and addresses**

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Sunderland

SR1 3SD

#### **Contact**

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#### **Email**

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#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **NUTS code**

UKC23 - Sunderland

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

[www.sunderland.ac.uk](http://www.sunderland.ac.uk)

Buyer's address

<https://in-tendhost.co.uk/universityofsunderland/aspx/Home>

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## **Section II: Object**

### **II.1) Scope of the procurement**

#### **II.1.1) Title**

University of Sunderland - Minor Works (Main Contractors Framework)

Reference number

UoS/MinorWorks/1219

#### **II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 45000000 - Construction work

#### **II.1.3) Type of contract**

Works

### **II.2) Description**

#### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UK - UNITED KINGDOM

#### **II.2.4) Description of the procurement at the time of conclusion of the contract:**

The authority seeks to develop a framework agreement for the following: Minor building works contractors for works to GBP 1.5 million. The contractors will be invited to tender for minor building works (subject to the lot value) works that the authority wishes to

undertake, these would be direct contracts for the authority and will mainly consist of building refurbishments. It is envisaged that there will be three contractors appointed for each lot and contractors can be appointed for multiple or single lots. The authority has existing frameworks in place for project management, architectural, QS services, structural engineers, CDM and mechanical and electrical engineering services. The University has a major capital contractor for projects over GBP 1.5 million in value and is currently establishing a framework of mechanical and electrical contractors.

#### **II.2.7) Duration of the contract, framework agreement, dynamic purchasing system or concession**

Duration in months

36

#### **II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds**

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

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## **Section IV. Procedure**

### **IV.2) Administrative information**

#### **IV.2.1) Contract award notice concerning this contract**

Notice number: [2021/S 000-000261](#)

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## **Section V. Award of contract/concession**

### **Contract No**

1

### **Title**

University of Sunderland - Minor Works (Main Contractors Framework)

### **V.2) Award of contract/concession**

#### **V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract/concession award decision:**

24 November 2020

#### **V.2.2) Information about tenders**

The contract/concession has been awarded to a group of economic operators: No

#### **V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor/concessionaire**

Birch Tree Northern Ltd National registration number: 07130186

West House, Redburn Road, Tyne And Wear

Newcastle Upon Tyne

NE5 1NB

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKC22 - Tyneside

The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

Yes

#### **V.2.4) Information on value of the contract/lot/concession (at the time of conclusion of the contract;excluding VAT)**

Total value of the procurement: £36,000,000

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

#### **VI.4) Procedures for review**

##### **VI.4.1) Review body**

University of Sunderland

3rd Floor, Edinburgh Building, Chester Road

Sunderland

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## **Section VII: Modifications to the contract/concession**

### **VII.1) Description of the procurement after the modifications**

#### **VII.1.1) Main CPV code**

- 45000000 - Construction work

#### **VII.1.3) Place of performance**

NUTS code

- UKC23 - Sunderland

#### **VII.1.4) Description of the procurement:**

The authority seeks to develop a framework agreement for the following: Minor building works contractors for works to GBP 1.5 million. The contractors will be invited to tender for minor building works (subject to the lot value) works that the authority wishes to undertake, these would be direct contracts for the authority and will mainly consist of building refurbishments. It is envisaged that there will be three contractors appointed for each lot and contractors can be appointed for multiple or single lots. The authority has existing frameworks in place for project management, architectural, QS services, structural engineers, CDM and mechanical and electrical engineering services. The University has a major capital contractor for projects over GBP 1.5 million in value and is currently establishing a framework of mechanical and electrical contractors.

#### **VII.1.5) Duration of the contract, framework agreement, dynamic purchasing system or concession**

Duration in months

48

#### **VII.1.6) Information on value of the contract/lot/concession (excluding VAT)**

Total value of the contract/lot/concession:

£36,000,000

#### **VII.1.7) Name and address of the contractor/concessionaire**

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The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

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## **VII.2) Information about modifications**

### **VII.2.1) Description of the modifications**

Nature and extent of the modifications (with indication of possible earlier changes to the contract):

Nature and extent of the modifications (with indication of possible earlier changes to the contract): This contract is being modified in accordance with Regulations 72(1)(c) and 72(1)(b) of the Public Contracts Regulations 2015. The modification will extend the contract for the provision of the MPLA which includes delivery of 4 Academy cohorts and 5 additional major project delivery leadership workshops and support activities for the development of senior level civil service capability. The contract will be extended for up to 18 months from 25 January 2021. The contract was extended beyond the term originally provided for in the procurement documents and the original contract in January 2019 for a period of 2 years. The services provided (the Additional services referred to in Section VII.1.4) were 5 MPLA cohorts and additional major project delivery leadership workshops and support activities for the development of senior level civil service capability. The value of the modification was for up to GBP 4 750 000. More information can be found <https://app.panacea-software.com/hq/>

### **VII.2.2) Reasons for modification**

Need for modification brought about by circumstances which a diligent contracting authority/entity could not foresee.

Description of the circumstances which rendered the modification necessary and

explanation of the unforeseen nature of these circumstances:

In March 2020 WHO declared Covid-19 a global pandemic. The need for this contract modification has been brought about by the impact of Covid-19 on the current MPLA delivery and tender process for the new contract which could not have been foreseen by the contracting authority. The MPLA is primarily delivered as a face to face 18 month programme, national restrictions have led to a backlog of teaching commitments and services. The impact of Covid-19 on IPA resource, and other critical government stakeholders, have resulted in delays to the procurement process for the new contract which the contracting authority had intended to commence in 2020. Additionally the complexity and bespoke nature of MPLA means it is not possible for a change of contractor before the planned procurement due to substantial duplication of costs and the investment in time required (under Regulation 72(1)(b)).

### **VII.2.3) Increase in price**

Updated total contract value before the modifications (taking into account possible earlier contract modifications, price adaptions and average inflation)

Value excluding VAT: £36,000,000

Total contract value after the modifications

Value excluding VAT: £46,000,000