

NOTICE OF PROPOSAL TO ENTER INTO QUALIFYING LONG TERM AGREEMENT FOR ARBORICULTURE (TREES) WORKS Section 151 Commonhold and Leasehold Reform Act 2002 - Schedule 1

To all Leaseholders of the London Borough of Camden that pay towards Arboriculture (Trees) works, and their Recognised Tenants' Associations:

1. Intention to enter into a qualifying long term agreement for Arboriculture (Trees) services:

This notice is given pursuant to the Notice of Intention to enter into a qualifying long-term agreement for the provision of borough wide contract(s) for Grounds Maintenance and Arboriculture (Trees) work, issued on 15th May 2009.

The council is proposing to enter an agreement for Arboriculture (Trees) works to ensure it has the necessary resources it needs to carry out works within the borough, which will include tree surgery, felling, stump removal and tree planting.

2. Summary of Tenders:

The service to be provided under this agreement is **Arboriculture (Trees)** works. The contractor will be required to maintain all aspects of Arboriculture (Trees) as per the council's specification (proposal).

The council tendered the works in three different packages:

- Grounds Maintenance and Arboriculture works as one contract (Package One);
- 2. Grounds Maintenance as a contract by itself (Package Two); and
- 3. Arboriculture Works as a contract by itself (Package Three)

Contractors were required to complete pricing schedules for the Grounds Maintenance and Arboriculture packages detailed above. These pricing schedules have a comprehensive list of grounds maintenance and arboriculture work items. These pricing schedules were evaluated and individual work items most relevant to Camden's needs were selected from the pricing schedule to form the new base contract.

We have obtained estimates by means of competitive tendering, the financial details of which have been summarised below. Please note that due to the complexity of the tender returns, they appear in the table below as consolidated unitary rates. Each tender document can be inspected at the drop-in-session outlined below, where you can also ask questions relating to the estimates from Camden officers.

The agreement will not be entered into until this stage of the consultation is complete and after Camden given due regard to any leaseholder observations received within the observation period.

Contractor Nomination Details

We received a contractor nomination for Woodland Tree Surgery, 64 Muswell Road, London, N10 2BE. Please note the nominated contractor did not meet the Council's financial pre-qualification requirements.

LOWEST TENDERER:	Consolidated Unitary Rate
Connaught Environmental Ltd	£2,923,338.00
(4 Apex Centre, Speedfields Park, Fareham, Hampshire PO14 1TP)	

OTHER CONTRACTORS WHO TENDERED FOR THE WORKS:	Consolidated Unitary Rate
Quadron Services Limited (Quadron House, Mendip Road, Weston-s-Mare, North Somerset, BS23 2HB)	£3,475,784.00
Glendale Grounds Management Ltd (Parkwood House, Berkeley Drive, Bamber Bridge, Preston, PR5 6BY	£6,112,126.00

PACKAGE THREE - ARBORICULTURE WORKS ONLY CONTRACT

LOWEST TENDERER:	Consolidated Unitary Rate
City Suburban Tree Surgeons Limited	£456,208.00
(Larkhall Park Depot, Larkhall Lane, Stockwell, London, SW8 2PX)	2400,200.00

OTHER CONTRACTORS WHO TENDERED FOR THE WORKS:	Consolidated Unitary Rate
KPS Contractors Ltd (Awbrook Park Farm, Ham Lane, Scaynes Hill, Haywards Heath, West Sussex RH17 7PR)	£527,482.00
Glendale Grounds Management Limited (Parkwood House, Berkeley Drive, Bamber Bridge, Preston, PR5 6BY)	£571,139.00

3. Camden's Proposal

Camden has analysed the financial details of each tender returned and are proposing to enter into separate agreements for Grounds Maintenance and Arboriculture (Tree) works, following the selection of individual work items to form the new base contract for these services.

Camden proposes to appoint the lowest tenderer, City Suburban Tree Surgeons Limited, for the Arboriculture contract for a term of 7(seven) years.

Right to Inspect Camden's Proposals 4.

You are invited to inspect our full proposals (relevant matters) for this agreement(s) on Tuesday, 27th October 2009 at: The Camden Town Hall, Committee Room 1, Judd Street, London, WC1H 9BJ between the hours of 4pm and 8pm.

Summary of Stage 1 observations

The written observations received during the Stage 1 consultation period, together with our responses to them are summarised on pages 3 - 8.

Observations

We invite you to make written observations in relation to the proposal by sending them to:

Regan Cossill London Borough of Camden Home Ownership Services 20 Mabledon Place London WC1H 9BF

Or email capitalservices@camden.gov.uk quoting 09/003.

Observations must be made within the consultation period of 30 days from the date of this notice. The consultation period will end on Monday, 16th November 2009 and all observations should be received by this date.

Signed on behalf of Camden as landlord:

Regan Cossill

Acting Senior Capital Services Charge Officer Home Ownership Services

13th October 2009