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Landfill Disposals Tax (Wales) Bill, Communities Scheme

I write to confirm the timetable for the procurement of a distributive body to administer the Landfill Disposals Tax Communities Scheme and the actions being taken to inform interested parties.

On 29 May, the Prior Information Notice (PIN) was published (copy attached), which is the first step in the procurement process and seeks to alert those interested to the forthcoming procurement.

I previously advised that I anticipated the tender exercise would launch in July, however, following further consideration of the timetable I can confirm it is my intention to publish the tender in September thus avoiding the summer period. I believe this will be welcomed by interested parties and it will further enable officials to continue to collaborate with colleagues within communities and environment to develop the tender documentation.

Officials have contacted those who received the PIN to confirm the timetable, and have spoken directly to interested stakeholders to ensure that they are aware. It remains my intention to appoint the distributive body later this year.

As per my letter to you of 5 June, I would be happy for officials to provide the Committee with a briefing session on the development of the scheme.

Yours sincerely

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We welcome receiving correspondence in Welsh. Any correspondence received in Welsh will be answered in Welsh and corresponding in Welsh will not lead to a delay in responding.

Prior information notice

This notice is for prior information only

Directive 2014/24/EU - Public Sector Directive

Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

Welsh Government

Corporate Procurement Services, Cathays Park

Cardiff

CF10 3NQ

UK

Telephone: +44 3000628864

E-mail: CPSProcurementAdvice@wales.gsi.gov.uk

NUTS: UKL

Internet address(es)

Main address: http://wales.gov.uk/?skip=1&lang=en

Address of the buyer profile: http://www.sell2wales.gov.wales/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA0007

I.2) Joint procurement

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

I.3) Communication

Additional information can be obtained from the abovementioned address

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Ministry or any other national or federal authority, including their regional or local subdivisions

I.5) Main activity

General public services

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Distributive body for the Landfill Disposals Tax Communities Scheme Wales

Reference number: C075/2017/18

II.1.2) Main CPV code

75100000

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

The Landfill Disposals Tax (LDT) Communities Scheme will replace the Landfill Communities Fund in Wales when Landfill Tax is devolved to Wales from April 2018. A distributive body will administer the grant scheme on behalf of the Welsh Government.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: 600 000.00 GBP

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

75100000

75112000

75131000

79000000

66170000

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS code:

UKL

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The Landfill Disposals Tax (LDT) Communities Scheme will replace the Landfill Communities Fund in Wales when Landfill Tax is devolved to Wales from April 2018. A distributive body will administer the grant scheme on behalf of the Welsh Government. The scheme will support local community and environmental projects in areas affected by the disposal of waste to landfill. Information on the scheme's general principles, geographical coverage and the types of projects that will be supported are available on the Welsh Government's website http://gov.wales/docs/caecd/publications/161213-ldt-update-en.pdf. This notice seeks to alert the marketplace to the forthcoming procurement to appoint a distributive body to administer the scheme. The distributive body will distribute in the region of GBP1.4m of grants per annum to local community and environmental projects. This contract is for the administration of the scheme and the contract value is expected to be GBP100,000 per annum. These proposals are dependant upon the final block grant adjustment about LDT which will not be concluded until after the UK Autumn Budget. The distributive body

will provide applicants with a single point of contact as well as providing guidance and support to applicants. Although the distributive body will administer the scheme, the Welsh Government will set the aims and principles of the scheme. As part of its governance procedures Welsh Government will seek assurances from the distributive body that funds are distributed in line with the aims and principles. The distributive body will be responsible for publishing an annual report on the scheme outlining how the money is being allocated and the outcomes delivered. As part of this the distributive body will be expected to ensure that an evaluation framework is built into the scheme from the outset. The proposed approach outlined in this notice could be subject to change and we reserve the right to make any changes to satisfy our requirements

II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice:

24/07/2017

Section IV: Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.8) Information about Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

Section VI: Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

NOTE: To register your interest in this notice and obtain any additional information please visit the Sell2Wales Web Site at http://www.sell2wales.gov.wales/Search/Search_Switch.aspx?ID=66740.

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VI.5) Date of dispatch of this notice

25/05/2017