

Request for Quotations

Provision of Tree Surgery work at Isle of Man Post Office HQ (PO/2024/RFQ46)

Isle of Man Post Office (IOMPO) employs around 310 people and has 50 years of experience in the mailing industry. As the single postal authority for the Isle of Man, we carry almost 20 million letters and parcels each year and deliver to each household and business on the Island.

IOMPO has the largest retail network on the Island with two internally operated and nineteen independently run post office locations, which offer customers the opportunity to post letters and parcels, pay bills, renew licenses and undertake a range of banking services.

IOMPO operates the majority of letter and parcel sortation at its main Postal Headquarters at Spring Valley Industrial Estate, Braddan, Douglas IM2 1AA. This site is particularly busy preparing mail for delivery with vehicles and staff in the immediate area of the trees between 07:00hrs to 09:00hrs, six days a week (Monday to Saturday). The site is also busy from 18:00hrs to 20:00hrs on a daily basis when trailers are delivering letters and parcels for processing the following day. Therefore, any work would need to avoid these periods for health and safety of both parties.

IOMPO's site occupies just over three acres of land and on the west boundary that is adjacent to the Haldane & Fisher and Borough of Douglas Council properties it contains a line of ash trees. Estimated length of 180 meters and containing approximately 65 trees, within the grounds owned by IOMPO.

As part of our property maintenance programme, IOMPO is interested in receiving quotations from companies experienced in providing tree surgery evaluation on ash trees and upon completion of the evaluation carry out any required action to maintain and/or remove trees that pose a risk to our property or neighbouring properties.

A site inspection of the area must be undertaken prior to submission of the response, to ensure access restrictions are considered. To arrange a suitable date/time, please refer to the below contact.

IOMPO expects companies to be licenced as necessary to undertake the work and be able to provide all machinery required.

Tree Surgery Services	
The Contractor will be required to provide the following:	
Stage 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Evaluation of ash trees on the west boundary of Postal HQ, IM2 1AA. • Complete a site visit report containing recommendations • If the report recommends any removal of trees, prepare an application/documentation for a licence to carry out the work stipulated by Isle of Man Government Department of Environment, Food and Agriculture (DEFA) to comply with legislation
Stage 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Liaise with neighbouring properties and landowners, including obtaining any required permission when working in close proximity of their buildings and land • Carry out the recommended works • Removal of any waste material • If trees need removing, IOMPO would look to utilise the land to its boundary and therefore the replanting of trees in the same location would not be viable. IOMPO would be looking for a recommend solution to replace trees in an alternative location

- Work outside our current postal operation busy time limits 07:00hrs to 09:00hrs and 18:00hrs to 20:00hrs

Requirements and staff

1. All staff should be background checked, trained and comply with relevant legislation
2. All staff must wear appropriate clothing and personal safety protection while on site
3. All staff must be identifiable as contracted staff
4. The Contractor will be required to attend onsite meeting during the delivery of the service.

IOMPO Responsibilities

Access to the POHQ building with suitable safety measures in place for equipment arrival and safety at work, this may include removal of perimeter fencing near the trees

Potential suppliers must include how they plan to comply with above requirements, including:

1. Provision of References *
2. Completion of Form of Acknowledgement *
3. Completion of Schedule of Confidential Information *
4. Completion of Supplier Questionnaire *
5. Completion of Supplier Assurance – Policy Declarations *
6. Confirmation of acceptance of standard terms and conditions for goods/services
https://www.iompost.com/uploads/iompo_standard-terms-and-conditions-for-goods-and-or-services.pdf
7. Any proposed variations in the specification of requirement(s)

* These documents can be obtained from the below contact.

Quotation Evaluation Criteria

The quotation response will be evaluated by an approach that takes into account both the price and quality in order to determine the “most economically advantageous quotation”. The weighting split used to evaluate the responses will be price 50% and quality 50%.

Weighting - Each question is allocated a weighting that contributes to the 50% quality element of the quotation evaluation. The weighting, represents the significance and importance of the quality question to the service provision/evaluation team.

Scoring - In order to ensure the evaluation of quality is applied consistently, requirements are marked using a scoring system of zero (0) to five (5).

Score	Criteria for awarding score
0	Completely fails to meet required standard or does not provide a proposal
1	Proposal significantly fails to meet the standards required, contains significant shortcomings and/or is inconsistent with other proposals
2	Proposal falls short of achieving expected standard in a number of identifiable respects
3	Proposal meets the required standard in most material respects, but is lacking or inconsistent in others
4	Proposal meets the required standard in all material respects
5	Proposal meets the required standard in all material respects and exceeds some or all of the major requirements

In order to ensure that your response has the best chance of success, please answer all of the questions. It is the answers to these questions that will determine the mark awarded for the quality element of your response.

Tree Surgery Requirements		
Req. No.	Mandatory, Desirable, Minimum Score	Mandatory
3.1	Mandatory	Provide details of experience and length of service in tree surgery (arboriculture) and any qualifications you or your staff hold.
	Weighting 30	
3.2	Mandatory	Companies should provide a method statement for the provision of: evaluation of the trees, seeking approval to remove (if required), the removal process and what will remain in the location once removed.
	Weighting 30	
3.3	Mandatory	Provide details of your companies experience in obtaining authority to remove trees from IOMG DEFA.
	Weighting 20	
3.4	Mandatory	What steps do you intend to take to protect IOMPO staff and property such as risk assessments and insurance.
	Weighting 20	
3.5	Mandatory	Provide details of how you would remove and handle any tree waste.
	Weighting 20	
3.6	Mandatory	Companies should provide an indicative date and high-level plan of activities for when they could commence the proposed works.
	Weighting 10	

Tenderers must identify any proposed sub-contractor(s) below:

Works to be undertaken by sub-contractor(s)	Name of sub-contractor(s)

Environmental and Sustainability		
3.9	Mandatory	The Isle of Man Government is committed to achieving net zero greenhouse gas emissions by 2050 http://www.gov.im/climatechange and is committed to the reduction of single use plastic Isle of Man Government - Plastics . In no more than 400 words, please identify how your company supports these commitments and provide details of your organisation's wider policies on environmental and sustainability issues.
	Weighting 10	

Local Economic Factors		
3.10	Mandatory	In no more than 400 words, please identify what benefits your company would bring to the Isle of Man economy as a direct result of undertaking this contract. This may include economic contribution such as personnel, income tax, travel or social contribution such as training and development to the wider community.
	Weighting 10	

Quotation Price

Description (as per requirements above)	Total £ (excluding VAT)
Stage 1 - Charge for the tree evaluation report	
Stage 2 - Charge for any maintenance work required from the report	
Total	

Companies are welcome to submit a quotation price for stage 1 activities only, or stage 1 and 2 activities.

Failure to address any areas requested above may disadvantage the assessment of your submission. Please be aware that neither the Isle of Man Post Office nor any other part of Government or any other organisation assisting with the procurement process, will accept any charges for expenses or losses incurred by any interested party as a result of responding to this enquiry.

IOMPO does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any quotation, and reserves the right to accept a portion of any quotation, unless the supplier expressly stipulates otherwise in their quotation.

If you need to seek further information, please do not hesitate to submit your request by email (to procurement@iompost.com).

The quote will remain available for Expressions of Interest until noon on Wednesday 20th March 2024.

Should you wish to respond to this opportunity, your response must be returned by **noon on Thursday 28th March 2024** electronic responses are acceptable. Late responses will not be considered.