Commissioning of an Artist for the Queen Elizabeth II Figurative Sculpture (Bust), Armagh

Armagh City, Banbridge and Craigavon Borough Council ("the Council") invites Expression of Interest from suitably experienced and qualified artist/artists for the commissioning of an Artist for the Queen Elizabeth II Figurative Sculpture (Bust), Armagh.

The Commission

The bust would be in the medium of the artist's choice and placed on top of a plinth to include a plaque (text to be agreed with Council) which may be incorporated into the plinth.

The memorial would be located within the Palace Chapel, Armagh. The materials would be considered as part of the artist's commission with the preferred option and final designs being agreed and signed off by Council.

It's also proposed that the memorial would be officially recognised. Therefore, it is considered that approval for any memorial in any form may be required from the Cabinet Office and this may be a requirement in terms of any potential unveiling or inauguration.

The sculpture (Bust) must be a 'lifelike' representation and be immediately recognisable to interested parties and tourists alike, becoming integrated into the historic fabric of Armagh.

The value of the commission is £70,000

The Process

Tenderers participating in this exercise are required to register with etenders NI. eTenders NI is the Employer's electronic tendering system and is the council's standard mechanism for managing above the threshold tenders. Interested parties can receive more details on registering with etendersNI at

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Should you have any queries, or if you are having any problems registering on the portal, please contact eTenders NI's dedicated supplier helpdesk by calling 0800 240 4545 or 020 3411 4271 or emailing ni-eproc-helpdesk@eurodyn.com.

The reference number for the tender is CfT 6032220.

The Timescale

Tenders will close in early December 2026 (see tender documents for more details) and the initial assessment on submissions will take place shortly thereafter. Tenderers who are successful at this stage will then be invited to take part in a second stage which is likely to run until late January 2026.