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Contract

A Multi-Provider, Multi-Lot Framework Agreement for the Provision of Legal Services Primarily in support of the Local Government Pension Scheme (LGPS)

Norfolk County Council

City of Bradford Metropolitan District Council (as Administering Authority of the West Yorkshire Pension Fund)

City of Edinburgh (as Administering Authority of Lothian Pension Fund)

City of Wolverhampton Council (as Administering Authority of West Midlands Pension Fund)

LGPS Central Ltd

Local Pensions Partnership Investments Ltd

London Borough of Lambeth

London Pensions Fund Authority

Northern Ireland Local Government Officers' Superannuation Committee (NILGOSC)

Staffordshire County Council (as Administering Authority for Staffordshire Pension Fund)

F03: Contract award notice

Notice identifier: 2023/S 000-000941

Procurement identifier (OCID): ocids-h6vhtk-034863

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

Norfolk County Council

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Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UKH15 - Norwich and East Norfolk

Justification for not providing organisation identifier

Not on any register

Internet address(es)

Main address

www.norfolk.gov.uk

Buyer's address

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

I.1) Name and addresses

City of Bradford Metropolitan District Council (as Administering Authority of the West Yorkshire Pension Fund

Bradford

Email

pensions@wypf.org.uk

Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UKE41 - Bradford

Justification for not providing organisation identifier

Not on any register

Internet address(es)

Main address

<https://www.wypf.org.uk>

I.1) Name and addresses

City of Edinburgh (as Administering Authority of Lothian Pension Fund)

Edinburgh

Email

pensions@lpf.org.uk

Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UKM75 - Edinburgh, City of

Justification for not providing organisation identifier

Not on any register

Internet address(es)

Main address

<https://www.lpf.org.uk/>

I.1) Name and addresses

City of Wolverhampton Council (as Administering Authority of West Midlands Pension

Fund)

Wolverhampton

Email

pensionfundenquiries@wolverhampton.gov.uk

Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UKG39 - Wolverhampton

Justification for not providing organisation identifier

Not on any register

Internet address(es)

Main address

<https://www.wmpfonline.com/>

I.1) Name and addresses

LGPS Central Ltd

Wolverhampton

Email

procurement@lgpscentral.co.uk

Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UKG39 - Wolverhampton

Justification for not providing organisation identifier

Not on any register

Internet address(es)

Main address

<https://www.lgpscentral.co.uk/>

I.1) Name and addresses

Local Pensions Partnership Investments Ltd

London

Email

info@lppi.co.uk

Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UKI - London

Justification for not providing organisation identifier

Not on any register

Internet address(es)

Main address

<https://www.localpensionspartnership.org.uk/>

I.1) Name and addresses

London Borough of Lambeth

Lambeth

Email

pensions@lambeth.gov.uk

Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UKI45 - Lambeth

Justification for not providing organisation identifier

Not on any register

Internet address(es)

Main address

<https://www.lambeth.gov.uk/>

I.1) Name and addresses

London Pensions Fund Authority

London

Email

communications@lpfa.org.uk

Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UKI - London

Justification for not providing organisation identifier

Not on any register

Internet address(es)

Main address

<https://www.lpfa.org.uk/>

I.1) Name and addresses

Northern Ireland Local Government Officers' Superannuation Committee (NILGOSC)

Belfast

Email

info@nilgosc.org.uk

Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UKN06 - Belfast

Justification for not providing organisation identifier

Not on any register

Internet address(es)

Main address

<https://nilgosc.org.uk/>

I.1) Name and addresses

Staffordshire County Council (as Administering Authority for Staffordshire Pension Fund)

Stafford

Email

pensions.enquiries@staffordshire.gov.uk

Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UKG24 - Staffordshire CC

Justification for not providing organisation identifier

Not on any register

Internet address(es)

Main address

<https://www.staffspf.org.uk/Home.aspx>

I.2) Information about joint procurement

The contract involves joint procurement

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Regional or local authority

I.5) Main activity

General public services

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

A Multi-Provider, Multi-Lot Framework Agreement for the Provision of Legal Services Primarily is support of the Local Government Pension Scheme (LGPS)

Reference number

NCCT42446

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 79100000 - Legal services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

The authorities listed in this notice have let a multi-lot, multi-provider framework agreement for the provision of legal services to be available to all LGPS administering authorities and other bodies as defined in the Contract Notice to provide national access to a high quality efficient and effective services at the best possible price.

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

II.1.7) Total value of the procurement (excluding VAT)

Value excluding VAT: £6,000,000

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Full Service (England and Wales)

Lot No

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 79100000 - Legal services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The scope of Lot 1 covers advice on all aspects of the laws and regulations of England and Wales relevant to LGPS funds, Administering Authorities scheme employers (in respect of their participation in the LGPS) and the operators of LGPS investment pools.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 80

Price - Weighting: 20

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: No

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Full Service (Scotland)

Lot No

2

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 79100000 - Legal services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKM - Scotland

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The scope of Lot 2 covers advice on all aspects of the laws and regulations of Scotland relevant to LGPS funds, administering Authorities, scheme employers (in respect of their participation in the LGPS) and LGPS investment pools/collaborative arrangements.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 80

Price - Weighting: 20

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: No

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Full Service (Northern Ireland)

Lot No

3

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 79100000 - Legal services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKN - Northern Ireland

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The scope of Lot 3 covers advice on all aspects of the laws and regulations of Northern Ireland relevant to the LGPS in Northern Ireland (hereafter 'NI'), the Northern Ireland Local Government Officers Superannuation Committee (NILGOSC), employing authorities (in respect of their participation in the LGPS) and LGPS investment pools/collaborative arrangements.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 80

Price - Weighting: 20

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: No

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Investment (UK Wide)

Lot No

4

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 79100000 - Legal services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The scope of Lot 4 is focused on legal advice relating to different aspects of pension fund investment and investment management or/administration (including as part of a pooled fund structure).

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 80

Price - Weighting: 20

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: No

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Benefit Administration, Employer Bodies and Governance (England and Wales)

Lot No

5

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 79100000 - Legal services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKC - North East (England)
- UKD - North West (England)
- UKE - Yorkshire and the Humber
- UKF - East Midlands (England)
- UKG - West Midlands (England)
- UKH - East of England
- UKI - London
- UKJ - South East (England)
- UKK - South West (England)
- UKL - Wales

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The scope of Lot 5 covers legal advice on all aspects of the laws and regulations of England and Wales relating to pensions administration, management, governance and the admission, participation and exit of scheme employers.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 80

Price - Weighting: 20

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: No

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Benefit Administration, Employer Bodies and Governance (Scotland)

Lot No

6

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 79100000 - Legal services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKM - Scotland

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The scope of Lot 6 covers legal advice on all aspects of the laws and regulations of Scotland relating to pension administration, management, governance and the admission, participation and exit of scheme employers.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 80

Price - Weighting: 20

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: No

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Benefit Administration, Employer Bodies and Governance (Northern Ireland)

Lot No

7

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 79100000 - Legal services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKN - Northern Ireland

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The scope of Lot 7 covers legal advice on all aspects of the laws and regulations of Northern Ireland relating to pensions administration, management, governance and the admission, participation and exit of employing authorities.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 80

Price - Weighting: 20

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: No

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Open procedure

IV.1.3) Information about a framework agreement or a dynamic purchasing system

The procurement involves the establishment of a framework agreement

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

IV.2) Administrative information

IV.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure

Notice number: [2022/S 000-026289](#)

Section V. Award of contract

Contract No

NCCT42446

Lot No

1

Title

Full Service (England and Wales)

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

23 December 2022

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 8

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 0

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 8

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Addleshaw Goddard LLP

London

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKI - London

Companies House

OC318149

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Burges Salmon LLP

Bristol

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKK11 - Bristol, City of

Companies House

OC307212

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Eversheds LLP

Newcastle upon Tyne

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKC2 - Northumberland and Tyne and Wear

Companies House

OC304065

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Freeths LLP

Nottingham

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKF14 - Nottingham

Companies House

OC304688

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Osborne Clarke LLP

Bristol

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKK11 - Bristol, City of

Companies House

OC397443

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Pinsent Masons LLP

London

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKI - London

Companies House

OC333653

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Squire Patton Boggs (UK) LLP

Birmingham

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKG31 - Birmingham

Companies House

OC335584

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.4) Information on value of contract/lot (excluding VAT)

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot: £6,000,000

Total value of the contract/lot: £6,000,000

Section V. Award of contract

Contract No

NCCT42446

Lot No

2

Title

Full Service (Scotland)

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

23 December 2022

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 5

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 0

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 5

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Brodies LLP

Glasgow

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKM82 - Glasgow City

Companies House

SO300334

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Burgess Salmon LLP

Bristol

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKK11 - Bristol, City of

Companies House

OC307212

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Eversheds Sutherland (International) LLP

Newcastle upon Tyne

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKC2 - Northumberland and Tyne and Wear

Companies House

OC304065

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Pinsent Masons LLP

London

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKI - London

Companies House

OC333653

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.4) Information on value of contract/lot (excluding VAT)

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot: £6,000,000

Total value of the contract/lot: £6,000,000

Section V. Award of contract

Contract No

NCCT42446

Lot No

3

Title

Full Service (Northern Ireland)

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

23 December 2022

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 4

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 0

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 4

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Burgess Salmon LLP

Bristol

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKK11 - Bristol, City of

Companies House

OC307212

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Eversheds Sutherland (International) LLP

Newcastle upon Tyne

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKC2 - Northumberland and Tyne and Wear

Companies House

OC304065

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Pinsent Masons LLP

London

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKI - London

Companies House

OC333653

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.4) Information on value of contract/lot (excluding VAT)

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot: £6,000,000

Total value of the contract/lot: £6,000,000

Section V. Award of contract

Contract No

NCCT42446

Lot No

4

Title

Investment (UK Wide)

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

23 December 2022

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 15

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 1

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 15

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Addleshaw Goddard LLP

London

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKI - London

Companies House

OC318149

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Brodies LLP

Glasgow

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKM82 - Glasgow City

Companies House

SO300334

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Burges Salmon LLP

Bristol

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKK11 - Bristol, City of

Companies House

OC307212

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Burness Paull LLP

Glasgow

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKM82 - Glasgow City

Companies House

SO300380

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Cleveland & Co Associates Ltd

London

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKI - London

Companies House

07871988

The contractor is an SME

Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Eversheds Sutherland (International)LLP

Newcastle upon Tyne

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKC2 - Northumberland and Tyne and Wear

Companies House

OC304065

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Gowling WLG (UK) Ltd

Birmingham

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKG31 - Birmingham

Companies House

OC304378

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Osborne Clarke LLP

Bristol

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKK11 - Bristol, City of

Companies House

OC397443

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Pinsent Masons LLP

London

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKI - London

Companies House

OC333653

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Squire Patton Boggs (UK) LLP

Birmingham

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKG31 - Birmingham

Companies House

OC335584

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.4) Information on value of contract/lot (excluding VAT)

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot: £6,000,000

Total value of the contract/lot: £6,000,000

Section V. Award of contract

Contract No

NCCT42446

Lot No

5

Title

Lot 5, Benefit Administration, Employer Bodies and Governance (England and Wales)

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

23 December 2022

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 9

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 0

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 9

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Addleshaw Goddard LLP

London

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKI - London

Companies House

OC318149

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Anthony Collins Solicitors LLP

Manchester

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKD33 - Manchester

Companies House

OC 313432

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Burges Salmon LLP

Bristol

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKK11 - Bristol, City of

Companies House

OC307212

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Eversheds LLP

Newcastle upon Tyne

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKC2 - Northumberland and Tyne and Wear

Companies House

OC304065

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Freeths LLP

Nottingham

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKF14 - Nottingham

Companies House

OC304688

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Osborne Clarke LLP

Bristol

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKK11 - Bristol, City of

Companies House

OC397443

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Pinsent Masons LLP

London

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKI - London

Companies House

OC333653

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Squire Patton Boggs

Birmingham

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKG31 - Birmingham

Companies House

OC335584

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.4) Information on value of contract/lot (excluding VAT)

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot: £6,000,000

Total value of the contract/lot: £6,000,000

Section V. Award of contract

Contract No

NCCT42446

Lot No

6

Title

Benefit Administration, Employer Bodies and Governance (Scotland)

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

23 December 2022

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 6

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 0

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 6

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Brodies LLP

Glasgow

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKM82 - Glasgow City

Companies House

SO300334

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Burgess Salmon LLP

Bristol

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKK11 - Bristol, City of

Companies House

OC307212

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Burness Paull LLP

Glasgow

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKM82 - Glasgow City

Companies House

SO300380

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Eversheds Sutherland (UK) LLP

Newcastle upon Tyne

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKC2 - Northumberland and Tyne and Wear

Companies House

OC304065

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Pinsent Masons LLP

London

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKI - London

Companies House

OC333653

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.4) Information on value of contract/lot (excluding VAT)

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot: £6,000,000

Total value of the contract/lot: £6,000,000

Section V. Award of contract

Contract No

NCCT42446

Lot No

7

Title

Benefit Administration, Employer Bodies and Governance (Northern Ireland)

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

23 December 2022

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 4

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 0

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 4

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Burges Salmon LLP

Bristol

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKK11 - Bristol, City of

Companies House

OC307212

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Eversheds Sutherland (International) LLP

Newcastle upon Tyne

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKC2 - Northumberland and Tyne and Wear

Companies House

OC304065

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Pinsent Masons LLP

London

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKI - London

Companies House

OC333653

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.4) Information on value of contract/lot (excluding VAT)

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot: £6,000,000

Total value of the contract/lot: £6,000,000

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

The figures values stated do not reflect the true volume of business per Lot. There is no guarantee of business, but the expectation is that up to £6,000,000 could be procured against this Framework Agreement.

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Nplaw

Norwich

Country

United Kingdom