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Contract

20-278 Foster Carer Recruitment - Digital Marketing Services

Rotherham MBC

F03: Contract award notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-02af19

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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NUTS code

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Internet address(es)

Main address

<http://www.rotherham.gov.uk/>

Buyer's address

<http://www.rotherham.gov.uk/>

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**

20-278 Foster Carer Recruitment - Digital Marketing Services

Reference number

DN530964

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 79000000 - Business services: law, marketing, consulting, recruitment, printing and

security

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Foster Care Recruitment and associated Digital Marketing Services

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

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

Value excluding VAT: £1,000,000

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKE31 - Barnsley, Doncaster and Rotherham

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Rotherham Metropolitan Borough Council and the Fostering Service are committed to working with service users, carers, the wider community, and partner agencies to promote the welfare of the Looked After Children and improve their life chances by providing services which:

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- Support families;
- Provide stable, safe effective alternative care at the right time and for the right length of time and which are responsive to individual needs, circumstances and choice;

- Maintain wherever possible continuity of educational provision.

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In meeting these aims and objectives, Rotherham Metropolitan Borough Council will work to secure 'sufficient accommodation' as required by Section 22G of the Children Act, 1989 (as inserted by the Children and Young People Act, 2008) which places a general duty on Local Authorities to secure sufficient accommodation within their boundaries to meet the needs of Looked After Children.

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To meet the sufficiency challenge in Rotherham and to provide a more balanced and sustainable placement mix we are investing in a Digital Marketing Service to increase the amount of in-house Foster Carers within RMBC.

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Our vision is to recruit an additional 45 Foster Carers a year with the Foster Carer Recruitment – Digital Marketing Service being central to helping us achieve this; working in close partnership with the Rotherham Fostering Service and key stakeholders across RMBC.

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The aim of the service is:

- increase the amount of approved Foster Carers for RMBC to meet current and future sufficiency requirements for looked after children

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The objective of the service is to:

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- develop and deliver a marketing and engagement strategy utilising a range of media channels to create a broad pipeline of prospective Foster Carers for Rotherham.

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- Provide marketing and data insight and expertise to support the existing Fostering Service, supporting the development of a clear evidence-based Foster Carer recruitment journey

On that note RMBC are looking to tender for these services.

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It is anticipated that the contract will commence on 01/04/2022 and will run for a period of three years making the expiry date 31/03/2025. The contract will have an option to extend by up to a further two years in any number or combination of extensions at the sole discretion of the Council, making the latest possible expiry date 31/03/2027.

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II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality & Social Value / Weighting: 70

Price - Weighting: 30

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: Yes

Description of options

The contract has 2 x 12 month extension options subsequent to the initial 3 year term.

II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Open procedure

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

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Section V. Award of contract

Contract No

20-278

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

10 January 2022

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 2

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 2

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 2

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Brightsparks Agency Limited

York

YO31 7EB

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKE31 - Barnsley, Doncaster and Rotherham

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £1,000,000

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Rotherham Metropolitan Borough Council

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