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Contract

NAC/5040 Provision of Primary School Counselling

North Ayrshire Council

F03: Contract award notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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Internet address(es)

Main address

<http://www.north-ayrshire.gov.uk>

Buyer's address

http://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA00337

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

NAC/5040 Provision of Primary School Counselling

Reference number

NAC/5040

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 85312320 - Counselling services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

North Ayrshire council on behalf of the Communities Directorate, and more specifically the Education Service, seek a provider to deliver a new service to promote and improve the mental health, emotional resilience and wellbeing of children and young people who are negatively affected or are at risk of being affected by poor mental health. This will be a counselling service which is intended to complement the existing school counselling service within North Ayrshire by providing counselling in schools for children aged 5 to 10 years within the primary school setting.

The resultant contract will be for a period of 1 year with the option to extend by up to 12 months dependant on budget availability and satisfactory performance.

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: £243,006.40

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 85312320 - Counselling services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKM93 - East Ayrshire and North Ayrshire mainland

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The requirement is for a peripatetic counselling service which includes the appointment of 2.5 counsellors to support primary aged children across North Ayrshire and includes a provision to offer supervision, training support and ongoing management of the service. This will complement the existing counselling service which is currently being restructured to support children and young people of 11 years and over but will be based predominantly in secondary schools.

In North Ayrshire, the provision of counselling is seen as part of the “Nurturing North Ayrshire” approach that aims to ensure schools support the wellbeing of young people through a range of nurturing approaches, and are safe, inclusive and nurturing environments for young people. North Ayrshire embraces the model of whole school approaches to support wellbeing. Counselling supports the emotional health of the pupil that underpins academic achievement and facilitates the building and management of helpful relationships in the school environment.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 40

Price - Weighting: 60

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: No

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

Notice number: [2020/S 182-440825](#)

Section V. Award of contract

Contract No

NAC/5040

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

21 January 2021

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 4

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 4

Number of tenders received from tenderers from other EU Member States: 0

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 0

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 4

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Therapeutic Counselling Services Ltd

169 Bank Street

Coatbridge

ML5 1ET

Telephone

+44 3302020283

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - UNITED KINGDOM

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot: £250,000

Total value of the contract/lot: £243,006.40

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

Lots are not being used for this tender for the reason(s) stated below:

Value of contract not suitable for lots.

Quality Management Procedures

1. The bidder must hold a UKAS (or equivalent) accredited independent third-party certificate of compliance in accordance with BS EN ISO 9001 (or equivalent) or a documented policy regarding quality management, see attachment at ESPD question 4D.1.

Environmental Management Procedures

1. The bidder must hold a UKAS (or equivalent) accredited independent third-party certificate of compliance in accordance with BS EN ISO 14001 (or equivalent) or a valid EMAS (or equivalent) certificate or the bidder must have a regularly reviewed documented policy regarding environmental management, see attachment at ESPD question 4D.2.

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VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

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