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Contract

Flexible Framework for Early Learning and Childcare Services in North Lanarkshire 2020/2023 - Entry Point 2

North Lanarkshire Council

F21: Social and other specific services – public contracts

Contract award notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

North Lanarkshire Council

Civic Centre, Windmillhill Street

Motherwell

ML1 1AB

Contact

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Email

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Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

UKM84 - North Lanarkshire

Internet address(es)

Main address

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

Buyer's address

https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA00010

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

Flexible Framework for Early Learning and Childcare Services in North Lanarkshire
2020/2023 - Entry Point 2

Reference number

NLC-CPT-19-082 (EP2)

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 80110000 - Pre-school education services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

North Lanarkshire Council (the “Council”) is required by Scottish Government, under the Children and Young People (Scotland) Act 2014, to provide a funded placement of 600 hours to all 3 and 4 years old and eligible 2 year olds. North Lanarkshire Council has made a commitment to provide 1140 hours, where possible, to children within those age groups detailed above. As yet it is unknown when Scottish Government will make the delivery of 1140 hours statutory.

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The Council have already established a Flexible Framework (see https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/show/search_view.aspx?ID=NOV399541) to secure external providers who can supplement the Council’s internal early learning and childcare provision. The original Framework was setup for 3 years, with included options for Tenderers to apply to the Framework in either years 2 or 3. This notice is for Entry Point 2, which is applicable for any potential provider and/or setting that is not already on the Framework.

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This contract award procedure is being carried out in accordance with The Public Contracts (Scotland) Regulations 2015, Regulation 74.

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: £36,000,000

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 85312110 - Child daycare services
- 80110000 - Pre-school education services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKM84 - North Lanarkshire

Main site or place of performance

North Lanarkshire Council's geographical boundary

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The following information is intended to give potential Tenderers an overview of the high level requirements.

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Requirements:

Provision of funded placement of 1140 hours per child. Providers must ensure one meal and one snack, per day, is available.

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Providers that intend to prepare meals on site will be required to work with nutritionists from the Council. Meals should be of high nutritional value and all funded providers are required to be registered as a food business operator and provide a copy of their Food Safety and Hygiene Policy.

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It should be noted that funded sessions should not exceed 30 hours per week and 10 hours per day.

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Potential Tenderers seeking appointment to this Flexible Framework for more than one Setting will be required to submit an individual tender for each Setting, i.e. a Tenderer with 2 nurseries within the North Lanarkshire geographic area seeking appointment to the Flexible Framework for both nurseries must submit a tender for each individual nursery.

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Further to this overview, a detailed specification is contained within the main invitation to tender ("ITT") document which is accessible (and downloadable) from the Buyer Attachment area within the PCS-T tendering system.

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Service delivery must be carried out in accordance with the information provided within this Contract Notice, the ITT Document and the Council's Framework Agreement.

II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds

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

II.2.14) Additional information

PLEASE BE AWARE OF THE EXCLUSION GROUNDS:

Economic operators may be excluded from this competition if they are in any of the situations referred to in regulation 58 of the Public Contracts (Scotland) Regulations 2015.

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Form of procedure

Open procedure

IV.1.3) Information about a framework agreement

The procurement involves the establishment of a framework agreement

IV.1.10) Identification of the national rules applicable to the procedure

Information about national procedures is available at:

<https://www.legislation.gov.uk/ssi/2015/446/part/2/chapter/3/crossheading/social-and-other-specific-services>

IV.1.11) Main features of the award procedure

Tenderers are required to complete responses to:

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1 Selection Stage:

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Must respond to questions 4B.5.1b, 4B.5.2, 4C.6, 4C.10 and 4C.12.

Minimum Rqts apply.

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2 Award Stage:

Must Accept preset rates. If Tenderer declines, it will result in exclusion.

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Care Inspectorate Registration required.

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Must Respond to Questions that will be evaluated. Minimum Rqts apply. Failure to meet any Minimum Rqt will result in exclusion.

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PCS-T contains further details

IV.2) Administrative information

IV.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure

Notice number: [2020/S 235-581557](#)

Section V. Award of contract

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

3 February 2021

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 11

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 11

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: 11

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Cabbage Patch Nursery

4A Netherton Road

WISHAW

ML2 0EQ

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - UNITED KINGDOM

The contractor is an SME

Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Collin Care Ltd t/a Kiddieshack Day Nursery

44 Young Street

Wishaw

ML2 8HJ

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKM84 - North Lanarkshire

The contractor is an SME

Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Happitots Nursery

9/11 Allander Walk, Town Centre

Cumbernauld

G67 1DW

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKM84 - North Lanarkshire

The contractor is an SME

Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Buchanan Park Nursery

Pavilion 6, Buchanan Court, Cumbernauld Road

Stepps

G33 6HZ

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKM84 - North Lanarkshire

The contractor is an SME

Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Comfy Kids Childcare

8 Strathmungo Crescent

Airdrie

ML6 6DX

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKM84 - North Lanarkshire

The contractor is an SME

Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Kellyann Mooney Childminding

64 Ardbeg Road

Carfin

ML1 4FE

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - UNITED KINGDOM

The contractor is an SME

Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

MARGARET CAMERON CHILDMINDING SERVICES

4 DALVEEN QUADRANT

COATBRIDGE

ML5 4RN

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKM84 - North Lanarkshire

The contractor is an SME

Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Mima's Childminding Service

84 Coatbridge Road, Glenmavis

Airdrie

ML6 0NJ

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - UNITED KINGDOM

The contractor is an SME

Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Oor Bonnie Bairns

14 Dempsey Road, Loch View Estate

Bellshill

ML4 2UF

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKM84 - North Lanarkshire

The contractor is an SME

Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Lesley's Childminding

66 Maple Road

Cumbernauld

G67 3NH

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKM - SCOTLAND

The contractor is an SME

Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Precious Moments Childminding

10 Alexander Gibson Court, New Stevenson

Motherwell

ML1 4WS

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKM84 - North Lanarkshire

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £36,000,000

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

A further entry point to the Framework will be permitted (we anticipate competition to commence around Nov-2021) for new entrants and any Tenderer (or Setting) that do not get appointed to the Framework at this entry point. The same Requirements will apply.

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The successful tenderers from entry point 2 will join the existing and original framework for Early Learning and Childcare Services in North Lanarkshire 2020/2023.

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V.2.4) Information on value of the Contract/Lot (excluding VAT) - to clarify this is the value of the original framework and not additional money.

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VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Hamilton Sheriff Court

Sheriff Court House, 4 Beckford Street

Hamilton

ML3 0BT

Email

hamilton@scotcourts.gov.uk

Telephone

+44 1698282957

Country

United Kingdom

Internet address

<https://www.scotcourts.gov.uk/the-courts/court-locations/hamilton-sheriff-court>

VI.4.3) Review procedure

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

An economic operator that suffers, or is at risk of suffering, loss or damage attributable to a breach of duty under the Public Contracts (Scotland) Regulations 2015 or the Procurement Reform (Scotland) Act 2014, may bring proceedings in the Sheriff Court or the Court of Session.