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Contract

## **Cumberland Advocacy Hub (Adults)**

Cumberland Council

F03: Contract award notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-04b2aa

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### **Section I: Contracting authority**

#### **I.1) Name and addresses**

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United Kingdom

**Region code**

UKD1 - Cumbria

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

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

Buyer's address

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

**I.4) Type of the contracting authority**

Regional or local authority

**I.5) Main activity**

General public services

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**Section II: Object**

**II.1) Scope of the procurement**

**II.1.1) Title**

Cumberland Advocacy Hub (Adults)

Reference number

DN749326

**II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 85000000 - Health and social work services

**II.1.3) Type of contract**

Services

#### **II.1.4) Short description**

Cumberland Council procured a Cumberland Advocacy Hub for adults with health and social care needs. The primary role of the Cumberland Advocacy Hub is to meet all Cumberland Council statutory duties in relation to the provision of a professional independent advocacy service under the terms of the Care Act 2014, Health Social Care Act 2012, Mental Capacity Act 2005 and Mental Health Act 1983 under a single point of access.

The advocacy service will support Cumberland residents across all categories of need, including adults with learning disability, organic and mental health functional disorder, mental health needs, acquired brain injury, physical and sensory impairment and young people in transition to adult services and other vulnerabilities and cover of all the different types of statutory advocacy including Independent Mental Capacity Advocacy, Care Act Advocacy, NHS Complaints and Independent Mental Health Act Advocacy.

The initial period of the contract is 3 years. There is ONE optional extension of up to 12 month. The use of this extension is at the absolute discretion of the Council.

The contract end date on this notice includes these extension periods.

The estimated annual value of the contract is: £363,000 excluding VAT.

The estimated maximum contract value over the three year term is: £1,144,000 excluding VAT. This includes an estimate of any potential uplifts.

The estimated maximum contract value over the three year term plus the one 12 month optional extension is: £1,564,933 excluding VAT. This includes an estimate of any potential uplifts.

#### **II.1.6) Information about lots**

This contract is divided into lots: No

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

Lowest offer: £1,144,000 / Highest offer: £1,564,933 taken into consideration

### **II.2) Description**

#### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UKD1 - Cumbria

#### **II.2.4) Description of the procurement**

All award criteria are stated in the procurement documents only.

The Council is conducting the procurement using the open procedure in accordance with the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 for the purpose of procuring the services described in the specification which can be found within the ITT documents.

#### **II.2.5) Award criteria**

Quality criterion - Name: Quality - Advocacy Hub, Skills, Quality, Service Delivery, Safeguarding and working with stakeholders / Weighting: 60

Quality criterion - Name: Social Value - Fundraising, volunteering / Weighting: 20

Price - Weighting: 20

#### **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

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## **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: [2024/S 000-035212](#)

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## **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**

14 January 2025

#### **V.2.2) Information about tenders**

Number of tenders received: 5

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 5

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: 5

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

#### **V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor**

PEOPLE FIRST INDEPENDENT ADVOCACY

Milbourne Street

Carlisle

CA2 5XB

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKD1 - Cumbria

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Lowest offer: £1,144,000 / Highest offer: £1,564,933 taken into consideration

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**Section VI. Complementary information**

**VI.4) Procedures for review**

**VI.4.1) Review body**

His Majesty's Court Service

Strand

London

WC2A 2LL

Country

United Kingdom