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Contract

EDR-20-005 Text Books, Pupil Workbooks, Assessment Resources & Music Materials

the Education Authority

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Notice identifier: 2025/S 000-002276

Procurement identifier (OCID): ocids-h6vhtk-04d58b

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Section I: Contracting authority/entity

I.1) Name and addresses

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Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UK - United Kingdom

Internet address(es)

Main address

<https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps>

Buyer's address

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Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

EDR-20-005 Text Books, Pupil Workbooks, Assessment Resources & Music Materials

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 22112000 - Textbooks

II.1.3) Type of contract

Supplies

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 22111000 - School books

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKN - Northern Ireland

II.2.4) Description of the procurement at the time of conclusion of the contract:

Supply and delivery of Text Books, Pupil Workbooks, Assessment Resources and Music Materials to individual Educational Establishments within Northern Ireland.

II.2.7) Duration of the contract, framework agreement, dynamic purchasing system or concession

Duration in months

48

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.2) Administrative information

IV.2.1) Contract award notice concerning this contract

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Section V. Award of contract/concession

Contract No

EDR-20-005

Title

Text Books, Pupil Workbooks, Assessment Resources & Music Materials

V.2) Award of contract/concession

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract/concession award decision:

28 April 2021

V.2.2) Information about tenders

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor/concessionaire

Brown Books for Students

Hull

HU1 3AP

Email

julie.devitt@brownsbfs.co.uk

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKN - Northern Ireland

Internet address

<https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps/getHomeDashboard.do>

The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor/concessionaire

Pearson Education Limited

London

WC2R ORL

Email

myorders@pearson.com

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

Internet address

<https://etendersni.gov.uk/>

The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor/concessionaire

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Country

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The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor/concessionaire

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aidan.chester@veritas.ie

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The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor/concessionaire

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Country

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NUTS code

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The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor/concessionaire

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Country

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Internet address

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The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

Yes

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NUTS code

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Internet address

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The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor/concessionaire

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Email

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Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

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Internet address

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The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor/concessionaire

Renaissance Learning UK Limited

London

E14 9SH

Email

ukaccounts@renlearn.co.uk

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

Internet address

<https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps>

The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor/concessionaire

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Email

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Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

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Internet address

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Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor/concessionaire

Colourpoint Creative Ltd

Newtownards

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Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

Internet address

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The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor/concessionaire

Waterstones Booksellers Limited

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Email

jane.wood@waterstones.com

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

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Internet address

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The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor/concessionaire

Schofield Sims Ltd

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United Kingdom

NUTS code

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Internet address

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The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor/concessionaire

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Country

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NUTS code

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Internet address

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The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor/concessionaire

Frederick Hyde Limited

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Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

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Internet address

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The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

Yes

V.2.4) Information on value of the contract/lot/concession (at the time of conclusion of the contract;excluding VAT)

Total value of the procurement: £40,202,296

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

The UK does not currently have any such bodies with responsibilities for appeal/mediation procedures

Belfast

Country

United Kingdom

Section VII: Modifications to the contract/concession

VII.1) Description of the procurement after the modifications

VII.1.1) Main CPV code

- 22111000 - School books

VII.1.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 22110000 - Printed books

VII.1.3) Place of performance

NUTS code

- UKN - Northern Ireland

VII.1.4) Description of the procurement:

Supply and Delivery of Text Books, Pupil Workbooks, Assessment Resources and Music Materials to individual Educational Establishments within Northern Ireland.

VII.1.5) Duration of the contract, framework agreement, dynamic purchasing system or concession

Start date

27 April 2021

End date

31 July 2025

VII.1.6) Information on value of the contract/lot/concession (excluding VAT)

Total value of the contract/lot/concession:

£40,202,296

VII.1.7) Name and address of the contractor/concessionaire

Brown Books for Students

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Yes

VII.2) Information about modifications

VII.2.1) Description of the modifications

Nature and extent of the modifications (with indication of possible earlier changes to the contract):

The requirement has arisen to modify the framework end date to be extended by 4 months until 31st July 2025. This is the first modification to this Framework Agreement.

The modification is in accordance with Reg 72 (1) (e) and (f)

(e) where the modifications, irrespective of their value, are not substantial (as defined in paragraph (8)); or

(f) where paragraph (5) applies.

The modification meets the following conditions in relation to paragraph 5:

(5) (a) the relevant threshold mentioned in regulation 5; and

(b) 10 % of the initial contract value for service and supply contracts and 15% of the initial contract value for works contracts

The modification to the period is for 4 months which represents less than 10% of the overall period of 48 months.

The modification is deemed to be non-substantial as it does not meet any of the conditions of paragraph 8 detailed below.

(8) A modification of a contract or a framework agreement during its term shall be considered substantial for the purposes of paragraph 1(e) where one or more of the following conditions is met:

(a) the modification renders the contract or the framework agreement materially different in character from the one initially concluded;

(b) the modification introduces conditions which, had they been part of the initial procurement procedure, would have—

- (i) allowed for the admission of other candidates than those initially selected;
- (ii) allowed for the acceptance of a tender other than that originally accepted; or
- (iii) attracted additional participants in the procurement procedure;
- (c) the modification changes the economic balance of the contract or the framework agreement in favour of the contractor in a manner which was not provided for in the initial contract or framework agreement;
- (d) the modification extends the scope of the contract or framework agreement considerably;
- (e) a new contractor replaces the one to which the contracting authority had initially awarded the contract in cases other than those provided for in paragraph (1)(d).

VII.2.2) Reasons for modification

Need for modification brought about by circumstances which a diligent contracting authority/entity could not foresee.

Description of the circumstances which rendered the modification necessary and explanation of the unforeseen nature of these circumstances:

This framework expires on 31st March 2025. April to June is the busiest ordering period for schools in Northern Ireland, therefore the Education Authority recommends that the implementation of the new framework takes places over the summer period in order to ensure suppliers can meet end users' requirements and disruption to schools is limited. This short modification to the Framework Agreement period will provide a compliant route to market during the implementation of the new replacement Framework.

VII.2.3) Increase in price

Updated total contract value before the modifications (taking into account possible earlier contract modifications, price adaptations and average inflation)

Value excluding VAT: £40,202,296

Total contract value after the modifications

Value excluding VAT: £40,202,296