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Contract

## **National Character Area (NCA) Platform and Database Phase II: baseline analysis and evaluation**

Defra Network eTendering Portal

F03: Contract award notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocids-h6vhtk-031205

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

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

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#### **Country**

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#### **NUTS code**

UK - United Kingdom

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/department-for-environment-food-rural-affairs>

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

Body governed by public law

**I.5) Main activity**

Environment

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**Section II: Object**

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

**II.1.1) Title**

National Character Area (NCA) Platform and Database Phase II: baseline analysis and evaluation

**II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 72212211 - Platform interconnectivity software development services

**II.1.3) Type of contract**

Services

**II.1.4) Short description**

NCA Platform, Database & Atlas Project - Phase 2.

This project includes Phase 2 work that builds on previously commissioned work for the development of a National Character Area (NCA) framework Landscape Change Database and Landscape Change Atlas and Dashboard. This commission is part of the Natural England landscape monitoring and evaluation strategy, and includes a particular focus on contributing to reporting against the Defra 25 Year Environment Plan Indicator

G1: 'Changes to landscape and waterscape character'.

#### **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: £138,361

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

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

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

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

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

Price

#### **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**

Award of a contract without prior publication of a call for competition in the cases listed below

- The procurement falls outside the scope of application of the regulations

Explanation:

This is a Single Tender Action under Regulation 32 of PCR 2015.

A competitive process was not followed because LUC was part way through the project. The reasons this should be an STA are:

- a) Compatibility - The Supplier has developed significant understanding and specialist expertise required to complete the project to required standards, expertise that no other contractor was able to demonstrate during previous competitive tendering and could therefore not provide within the required timescales.
- b) Sole Supplier – The Supplier is the only contractor with the relevant expertise and online platform servers that are required for this project.
- c) Property Rights - The Supplier owns the online platform servers.

#### **IV.1.8) Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)**

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

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## Section V. Award of contract

### Title

NCA Platform, Database & Atlas Project - Phase 2. This project includes Phase 2 work that builds on previously commissioned work for the development of a National Character Area (NCA) framework Landsc

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

### V.2) Award of contract

#### V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

29 October 2021

#### V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 1

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

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

Land Use Consultants

London

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

The contractor is an SME

No

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £138,361

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.4) Procedures for review**

#### **VI.4.1) Review body**

Department for the Environment, Food and Rural Affairs

London

Country

United Kingdom