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Overnight Residential Short Breaks

Bath and North East Somerset Council

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Section I: Contracting authority/entity

I.1) Name and addresses

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Region code

UKK12 - Bath and North East Somerset, North Somerset and South Gloucestershire

Internet address(es)

Main address

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

Buyer's address

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

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

Overnight Residential Short Breaks

Reference number

DN676461

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 85000000 - Health and social work services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Residential Overnight Short Breaks for Disabled children and young people aged 8 to the child's 18th Birthday and who live in the B&NES area. These breaks are open to children and young people assessed or known to social care. The majority of children using residential overnight short breaks are 'disabled children' with multiple impairments and complex needs, including health and behavioural, rather than children with what would be considered as life limiting conditions, such as cancer. Geographical Area to be covered by the service: Bath and North East Somerset wide and will be delivered at Beaumonts, Padleigh Hill, Bath, BA2 9DW.

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: £953,124 / Highest offer: £1,429,686 taken into consideration

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKK12 - Bath and North East Somerset, North Somerset and South Gloucestershire

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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II.2.11) Information about options

Options: Yes

Description of options

Option to extend for a further 12 months

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

Negotiated without a prior call for competition

- No tenders or no suitable tenders/requests to participate in response to open procedure

Explanation:

An initial open (light touch) tender process resulted in 1 bid, which was not suitable.

Given that the council received no suitable tenders, we commenced a negotiated process with the incumbent bidder to arrange delivery of the service, whilst the council reviews the commissioning strategy and needs of children with complex SEND. The council relies on regulation 32 of the Public Contracts Regulations 2015, having run a failed open tender process.

Ensuring continuity of service for a number of disabled children with multiple impairments and complex needs, including health and behavioural needs, is our priority as decommissioning of the current service would result in children requiring additional, high cost interventions, potentially out of the local authority area.

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

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Section V. Award of contract/concession

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract/concession

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

24 January 2024

V.2.2) Information about tenders

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

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

Action for Children Services Ltd

Watford

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKK12 - Bath and North East Somerset, North Somerset and South Gloucestershire

The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

No

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

Lowest offer: £953,124 / Highest offer: £1,429,686 taken into consideration

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Bath & North East Somerset Council

Bath

Country

United Kingdom