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Award

SC19017 VPRS Framework

Kent County Council

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

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Section I: Contracting authority/entity

I.1) Name and addresses

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Buyer's address

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I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Regional or local authority

I.5) Main activity

Other activity

County Council

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

SC19017 VPRS Framework

Reference number

DN433828

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 85300000 - Social work and related services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

The opportunity concerns the delivery of the official Government refugee resettlement schemes in Kent. Currently these are the Syrian Vulnerable Persons Relocation Scheme (VPRS) and the Vulnerable Children's Resettlement Scheme (VCRS) but from Spring 2020 these (and the Government Gateway programme) are due to merge into the new UK Resettlement scheme. The service being commissioned is the resettlement and integration support for refugees relocating to Kent under these and any similar future scheme yet to be announced, both for existing families and new families from April 2020. The service will be expected to provide the above support for initially the first 3-years of each refugee's stay in the UK, with the potential for an extension of up to a further 2-years, depending on individual need and available funding.

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

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

Value excluding VAT: £2,000,000

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

West Kent

Lot No

1

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 85000000 - Health and social work services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKJ4 - Kent

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

This lot covers delivery of all requirements of the UK Resettlement Scheme in the following Districts: Tunbridge Wells, Tonbridge & Malling, Sevenoaks and Maidstone. The services required will be described in the tender documentation.

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

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

North Kent

Lot No

2

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 85000000 - Health and social work services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKJ4 - Kent

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

This lot covers delivery of all requirements of the UK Resettlement Scheme in the following Districts: Dartford and Gravesham. The services required will be described in the tender documentation.

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

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

East Kent

Lot No

3

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 85000000 - Health and social work services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKJ4 - Kent

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

This lot covers delivery of all requirements of the UK Resettlement Scheme in the following Districts: Thanet, Dover and Folkestone & Hythe. The services required will be described in the tender documentation.

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

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Swale

Lot No

4

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 85000000 - Health and social work services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKJ4 - Kent

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

This lot covers delivery of all requirements of the UK Resettlement Scheme in the following Districts: Isle of Sheppey and Sittingbourne. The services required will be described in the tender documentation.

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

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:

Short term contracts have been awarded to the incumbent suppliers for a period of 4 months. The short term contracts are to enable KCC to complete the re-procurement which is already out for tender. By awarding the short term contracts, it mitigates any loss in the provision of service while the re-procurement is underway. In addition it will also enable ample mobilisation time for the winning bidder.

The estimated total value of the proposed contract extension is £317,699.

The short term contract runs up to 31st May 2025. The recommissioned service will commence 01 June 2025.

IV.1.3) Information about a framework agreement

The procurement involves the establishment of a framework agreement

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

Contract No

SC19017

Lot No

1

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract/concession

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

31 January 2025

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

Clarion Housing Group

6 More London Place

London

SE1 2DA

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKJ4 - Kent

The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

No

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

Total value of the contract/lot/concession: £317,699

Section V. Award of contract/concession

Contract No

SC19017

Lot No

2

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract/concession

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

31 January 2025

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

Rethink Mental Illness

28 Albert Embankment

London

SE1 7GR

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKJ4 - Kent

The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

No

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

Total value of the contract/lot/concession: £317,699

Section V. Award of contract/concession

Contract No

SC19017

Lot No

3

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract/concession

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

31 January 2025

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

Migrant Help

Charlton House, Dour Street

Dover

CT16 1AT

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKJ4 - Kent

The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

No

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

Total value of the contract/lot/concession: £317,699

Section V. Award of contract/concession

Contract No

SC19017

Lot No

4

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract/concession

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

31 January 2025

V.2.2) Information about tenders

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

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

Total value of the contract/lot/concession: £317,699

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Kent County Council

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