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Contract

## **Fostering Agency Framework Agreement 2022**

Norfolk County Council

F03: Contract award notice

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

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

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#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **NUTS code**

UKH15 - Norwich and East Norfolk

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

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

Buyer's address

<https://in-tendhost.co.uk/norfolkcc.aspx/Home>

**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**

Fostering Agency Framework Agreement 2022

Reference number

NCCT42019

#### **II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 85000000 - Health and social work services

#### **II.1.3) Type of contract**

Services

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

Norfolk County Council wished to revise the current Framework for Fostering Agencies for existing and new providers. Further to Paragraph 3 of the Best Value Statutory Guidance issued by the Secretary of State for Local Government in September 2011, the Council engaged with the market to further understand options for delivery. The meetings informed providers of our intentions and what we hope to achieve, to ascertain what potential providers see as areas of risk, to discuss the specifications, contractual terms and what (if anything) would stop interested parties from applying. Notes and slides from these meetings were published as clarifications.

#### **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: £50,000,000

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

#### **II.2.1) Title**

Standard Foster Placement

Lot No

1

### **II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 85000000 - Health and social work services
- 85311000 - Social work services with accommodation
- 85311300 - Welfare services for children and young people

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

NUTS codes

- UKH17 - Breckland and South Norfolk
- UKH16 - North and West Norfolk
- UKH15 - Norwich and East Norfolk

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

Standard Foster Placement aged 0-10 and Standard Foster Placement aged 11+

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

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 100

Cost criterion - Name: Price / Weighting: 0

### **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**

Enhanced Foster Placement

Lot No

2

### **II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 85000000 - Health and social work services
- 85311000 - Social work services with accommodation
- 85311300 - Welfare services for children and young people

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

NUTS codes

- UKH17 - Breckland and South Norfolk
- UKH16 - North and West Norfolk
- UKH15 - Norwich and East Norfolk

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

Enhanced Foster Placement aged 0-10 and Enhanced Foster Placement aged 11+

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

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 100

Cost criterion - Name: Price / Weighting: 0

### **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**

Complex

Lot No

3

### **II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 85000000 - Health and social work services
- 85311000 - Social work services with accommodation
- 85311300 - Welfare services for children and young people

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

NUTS codes

- UKH17 - Breckland and South Norfolk
- UKH16 - North and West Norfolk
- UKH15 - Norwich and East Norfolk

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

Complex - This lot is for 3a CWD aged 0-10, 3a CWD aged 11+, 3b Parent and Child Foster Placement (all ages) and 3c Step Down (Premium)

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

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 100

Cost criterion - Name: Price / Weighting: 0

### **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.1.3) Information about a framework agreement or a dynamic purchasing system**

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**

Notice number: [2021/S 000-030769](#)

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## **Section V. Award of contract**

### **Contract No**

NCCT42019

### **Title**

Framework Agreement for Foster Agency 2022

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

### **V.2) Award of contract**

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

18 February 2022

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

Number of tenders received: 9

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: 9

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 9

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

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

The Adolescent & Children's Trust

london

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKI - London

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Beams Foster Care and Family Services

Gorleston, Norfolk

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKH15 - Norwich and East Norfolk

The contractor is an SME

Yes



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

Break

Norwich

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKH15 - Norwich and East Norfolk

The contractor is an SME

No

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

By the Bridge (CareTech Community Services Limited)

Hertfordshire

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKG1 - Herefordshire, Worcestershire and Warwickshire

The contractor is an SME

No

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

Compass Fostering East Limited

Leicester

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKF21 - Leicester

The contractor is an SME

No

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

Foster Care Associates (FCA)

Bromsgrove

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKG12 - Worcestershire

The contractor is an SME

No

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

National Fostering Agency

Bolton

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKE3 - South Yorkshire

The contractor is an SME

No

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

Regional Foster Families Ltd

Norwich

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKH15 - Norwich and East Norfolk

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

To the Moon and Back Foster Care Ltd

Cambridge

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKH12 - Cambridgeshire CC

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot: £50,000,000

Total value of the contract/lot: £50,000,000

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.3) Additional information**

The value is an estimate over the duration of the framework agreement including extensions. The exact value will be dependent on need.

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

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

Norfolk County Council

Norwich

Country

United Kingdom

#### **VI.4.3) Review procedure**

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

The Public Contracts Regulations 2015 (as amended) provide for aggrieved parties who have been harmed or are at risk of harm by a breach of the rules to take action in the High Court (England, Wales and Northern Ireland). Proceedings must be brought within 30 days from the date of knowledge (the date on which the economic operator first knew or ought to have known that grounds for starting the proceedings had arisen) unless the Court considers that there is good reason for extending the period within which proceedings may be brought, in which case the Court may extend that period up to a maximum of 3 months from the date of knowledge.