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Contract

## **BSP-21-027 Defence Personal Injury Legal Services**

Education Authority NI

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Libraries NI

F03: Contract award notice

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

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

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

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## **I.2) Information about joint procurement**

The contract involves joint procurement

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

Body governed by public law

## **I.5) Main activity**

Education

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## **Section II: Object**

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

#### **II.1.1) Title**

BSP-21-027 Defence Personal Injury Legal Services

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

- 79100000 - Legal services

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

Services

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

BSP-21-027 - EA invites tenders for the provision of Defence Personal Injury Legal Services, for a 3 year Initial Contract Period on an as and when required basis, with the option to extend for 1 further 12 month period. The administering procurement office for this tender, on behalf of EA, will be the Business Services and Products Procurement Category, based in Ballymena. This is a voluntary tender and given its nature and subject matter is excluded from the Public Contract Regulations 2015 (Regulation 10 (1) (d)). This tender is subject to NI Public Procurement Policy and associated guidance notes.

#### **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: £1,230,000

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

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

- 79110000 - Legal advisory and representation services
- 79111000 - Legal advisory services
- 79112000 - Legal representation services
- 79140000 - Legal advisory and information services

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

NUTS codes

- UKN - Northern Ireland

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

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

Quality criterion - Name: AC1 – Proposed Responsible Solicitor's Experience in Defence Personal Injury Litigation / Weighting: 18

Quality criterion - Name: AC2 – Proposed Designated Solicitors's Experience in Defence Personal Injury Litigation / Weighting: 18

Quality criterion - Name: AC3 – Quality Assurance Arrangements / Weighting: 9

Quality criterion - Name: AC 4 - Proposal for Added Value Services / Weighting: 9

Quality criterion - Name: AC5 – Fair Work Practices / Weighting: 6

Cost criterion - Name: Percentage Discount Offered / Weighting: 40

### **II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: Yes

Description of options

Option to extend for 1 period of 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

## II.2.14) Additional information

This Contract is let by the Northern Ireland Education Authority “EA” and is open to the EA, including NI educational bodies as follows and at some point during the life of the Framework these bodies may wish to utilise the agreement and should have access, at any point, with the permission of EA. This agreement is not intended to replace any current agreements that participating or non-participating institutions may already have in place: <https://www.education-ni.gov.uk/services/> schools-plus. Primary and Post Primary schools under the control of the EA, Catholic Maintained Schools, Independent Schools in NI, Irish Medium Schools in NI, both Controlled and, Voluntary Grammar Schools, Nursery School for NI both controlled and Catholic Maintained, school meals kitchens on-site at all of these schools, and Controlled Youth Centres. <https://www.nidirect.gov.uk/contacts/further-education-fecolleges>. Further Education Colleges in NI . . <https://www.nicie.org/parents/school-finder/>. Grant Controlled Integrated Education Schools in NI. . <https://www.isc.co.uk/schools/northern-ireland/>. Independent School in NI. . Libraries NI: [https:// www.librariesni.org.uk/Libraries/.EA](https://www.librariesni.org.uk/Libraries/.EA) Teachers’ and Educational Centres. Council for the Curriculum, Examination and Assessment NI CCEA . Armagh Observatory and Planetarium. Middletown Centre for Autism. Controlled Schools Support Council CSSC. Northern Ireland Council for Integrated Education NICIE.

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## Section IV. Procedure

### IV.1) Description

#### IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Open procedure

#### 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 000-028398](#)

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

### **Contract No**

1

### **Title**

Contract

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

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

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

22 February 2022

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

Number of tenders received: 11

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 8

Number of tenders received from tenderers from other EU Member States: 0

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 11

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 11

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

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

Tughans

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The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

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The contractor is an SME



No

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

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The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Napier Sons Solicitors

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Country

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NUTS code

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The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

FRANCIS HANNA CO SOLICITORS

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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: £1,230,000

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### **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.

Ballymena

Country

United Kingdom

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

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

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