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Contract

ESPH TW Housing Subsidy Audit Service (ESPH503 JB)

Wealden District Council

Rother District Council

F03: Contract award notice

Notice identifier: 2022/S 000-005050

Procurement identifier (OCID): ocids-h6vhtk-02feb0

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

Wealden District Council

Council Offices, Vicarage Lane

Hailsham

BN27 2AX

Email

esph@wealden.gov.uk

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

UKJ22 - East Sussex CC

Internet address(es)

Main address

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

Buyer's address

<https://www.sesharedservices.org.uk/esourcing>

I.1) Name and addresses

Rother District Council

Town Hall, London Road

Bexhill-On-Sea

TN39 3JX

Email

esph@wealden.gov.uk

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

UKJ22 - East Sussex CC

Internet address(es)

Main address

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

I.2) Information about joint procurement

The contract involves joint procurement

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

ESPH TW Housing Subsidy Audit Service (ESPH503 JB)

Reference number

WDC - 033829

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 79200000 - Accounting, auditing and fiscal services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Wealden District Council (lead), Rother District Council, Hastings Borough Council and Mid Sussex District Council are seeking the services of a consultant to carry out a review of high value Subsidy Loss areas, followed by subsequent initial testing of its Housing Benefit Subsidy claim.

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: £480,000

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 79200000 - Accounting, auditing and fiscal services
- 79212000 - Auditing services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKJ22 - East Sussex CC

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Full information can be found at <http://www.sesharedservices.org.uk/esourcing>

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Technical Criteria / Weighting: 60

Price - Weighting: 40

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

Open procedure

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: No

IV.2) Administrative information

IV.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure

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Section V. Award of contract

Contract No

ESPH503

Title

Housing Subsidy Audit Service

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

4 February 2022

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 1

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 1

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

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 0

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 1

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Branch and Lee Consulting Ltd

21 Station Road, Menston

Leeds

LS29 6JH

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKJ22 - East Sussex CC

National registration number

05354387

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: £480,000

Total value of the contract/lot: £480,000

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

High Court of England and Wales

The Strand

London

WC2A 2LL

Country

United Kingdom

VI.4.3) Review procedure

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

Wealden District Council will observe a standstill period following the award of the contract and conduct itself in respect of any appeals in accordance with the public contracts regulations 2015 (as amended).