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## Colchester and Clacton Crisis Cafe Service

NHS North East Essex Clinical Commissioning Group

F15: Voluntary ex ante transparency notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-029b75

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# Section I: Contracting authority/entity

## I.1) Name and addresses

NHS North East Essex Clinical Commissioning Group

Aspen House, Stephenson Road, Severalls Business Park

Colchester

**CO4 9QR** 

#### **Email**

maninder.dulku@attain.co.uk

#### Country

**United Kingdom** 

#### **NUTS** code

UKH3 - Essex

#### Internet address(es)

Main address

#### http://www.neessexccq.nhs.uk/

## I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

## I.5) Main activity

Health

# **Section II: Object**

## II.1) Scope of the procurement

#### II.1.1) Title

Colchester and Clacton Crisis Cafe Service

#### II.1.2) Main CPV code

• 85100000 - Health services

#### II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

#### II.1.4) Short description

This is a voluntary ex ante transparency notice and is intended to provide notice of NHS North East Essex Clinical Commissioning Group's intention to award a contract.

The contract award will be made to Mid and North East Essex Mind (MNE Mind) for the provision of a Crisis Cafe service in Colchester and Clacton, from 1st April 2021 to 31st March 2024.

## 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: £1,134,000

## II.2) Description

#### II.2.3) Place of performance

**NUTS** codes

UKH3 - Essex

Main site or place of performance

North East Essex

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

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The contract award will be made to Mid and North East Essex Mind (MNE Mind) for the provision of a Crisis Cafe service in Colchester and Clacton, from 1st April 2021 to 31st March 2024.

The contract value pertaining to the three year term is £1,134,000.

MNE Mind in partnership with Essex Partnership University NHS Foundation Trust (EPUT) and The Haven, provide the existing crisis alternative in the form of the Clacton Crisis Cafe provision which commenced in 2019.

A similar crisis cafe service provision in Colchester via MNE Mind was commissioned by Essex County Council and is due to conclude in March 2021.

A proposal was submitted to NHS England and NHS Improvement which outlines that the two cafes will come under the one model with MNE Mind, building on the existing set up and outcomes and with a focus on continuity and continued integration with crisis pathways across wider Alliance stakeholders. EPUT will continue the clinical support provision, with The Haven expanding resilience groups.

During the previous 18 months, and in the midst of a pandemic a great deal of stakeholder engagement and communication has been initiated through the system Crisis Cafe Steering Group to embed the pathway, contact points and understanding of the criteria for use. During this time relationships have been strengthened across the partnership with shared patient reporting systems, trusted assessor approach derived and trust built via professional referring agencies such as the Police or EEast that this is a safe and appropriate place for people struggling with mental health problems. This has been supported by the local Mind agencies across Essex providing similar crisis alternatives.

The services in scope fall within social and other specific services within the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 (as amended by The Public Procurement (Amendment etc.) (EU Exit) Regulations 2020).

#### II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Technical (Quality) / Weighting: 100

Price - Weighting: 100

## 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

Negotiated without a prior call for competition

- The works, supplies or services can be provided only by a particular economic operator for the following reason:
  - absence of competition for technical reasons

#### **Explanation:**

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: No

# 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

2 March 2021

#### 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

Mid and North East Essex Mind

The Constantine Centre, 272a Mersea Road

Colchester

**CO2 8QZ** 

Country

**United Kingdom** 

**NUTS** code

• UKH3 - Essex

The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot/concession: £1,134,000

#### V.2.5) Information about subcontracting

The contract/lot/concession is likely to be subcontracted

# **Section VI. Complementary information**

## VI.3) Additional information

High Court of Justice of England and Wales

The services to which this process relates fall within Schedule 3 of the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 (as amended by The Public Procurement (Amendment etc.) (EU Exit) Regulations 2020) ("the Regulations"). As such, the CCG does not intend to hold itself

# bound by any of the Regulations, save those applicable to Schedule 3 Services. VI.4) Procedures for review VI.4.1) Review body

Strand

London

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Country

**United Kingdom** 

## VI.4.4) Service from which information about the review procedure may be obtained

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