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#### Award

# Research and Evidence for Community Assets Commission

Llywodraeth Cymru / Welsh Government

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# Section I: Contracting authority/entity

## I.1) Name and addresses

Llywodraeth Cymru / Welsh Government

Gwasanaethau Caffael Corfforaethol / Corporate Procurement Services, Parc Cathays / Cathays Park

Caerdydd / Cardiff

CF10 3NQ

Email

cpsprocurementadvice@gov.wales

Telephone

+44 3000257095

#### Country

United Kingdom

#### NUTS code

UKL - Wales

#### Internet address(es)

Main address

http://wales.gov

Buyer's address

https://www.sell2wales.gov.wales/search/Search\_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA0007

# I.4) Type of the contracting authority

National or federal Agency/Office

## I.5) Main activity

General public services

# Section II: Object

## II.1) Scope of the procurement

#### II.1.1) Title

Research and Evidence for Community Assets Commission

Reference number

D217/2023/2024

#### II.1.2) Main CPV code

• 73110000 - Research services

#### II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

#### II.1.4) Short description

Formation of a Commission to look into various aspects of community asset transfers in Wales.

#### 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: £170,000

## **II.2) Description**

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

• 73110000 - Research services

#### II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

• UKL - Wales

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

Provision of academic research, stakeholder engagement and evidence analysis to support the work of the Task and Finish Group.

#### 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:

This voluntary ex ante transparency notice is intended to provide notice of the Authority's decision to proceed with awarding a contract to Cardiff University for academic support for the newly formed Commission.

The reason for the direct award is that there is a risk that there could be a potential conflict of interest with other interested bidders with the one of the lobby/interest groups might make a successful bid, which would challenge the robustness of the evidence provided to the Commission. Cardiff University have the knowledge and expertise in both planning and geography in Wales whilst also not having potential conflicts of interest due to their independence with the Commission being formed.

#### 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

6 February 2024

#### 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

Cardiff University

King Edward VII Avenue, Glamorgan Building

Cardiff

CF103WT

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

• UK - United Kingdom

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: £170,000

# Section VI. Complementary information

# VI.3) Additional information

This is a notification of a contract award.

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# VI.4) Procedures for review

### VI.4.1) Review body

High Court

Royal Courts of Justice, The Strand

London

WC2A 2LL

Telephone

+44 2079477501

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United Kingdom