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Contract

## **Children and Young People Participation Framework Agreement**

Scottish Government

F03: Contract award notice

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

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

Scottish Government

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Glasgow

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United Kingdom

**NUTS code**

UKM - Scotland

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<http://www.scotland.gov.uk>

Buyer's address

[https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search\\_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA10482](https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA10482)

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

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

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

Ministry or any other national or federal 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**

Children and Young People Participation Framework Agreement

Reference number

628488

**II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 73000000 - Research and development services and related consultancy services

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

Services

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

The Scottish Government is commissioning a Framework Agreement to respond to the growing need for children and young people's participation in decision making and policy design across Scottish Government and to ensure approaches are meaningful, coordinated and sustainable.

Specifically, the Framework is being created to establish an efficient and effective mechanism that provides the Scottish Government with a strategic, high quality and sustainable approach to meaningfully engage with children and young people as part of its decision-making and policy design process.

The Framework will enable policy areas across Scottish Government to identify, recruit and engage with organisations that have the skills and expertise required to design and deliver bespoke, high quality participation activities with children and young people.

It is envisaged that the appointed suppliers will be both organisations operating at a national level and those working within specific communities. These organisations will engage with and represent a broad range of children and young people, with particular representation of those identified as being furthest from their rights.

The Framework will be overseen by the Children's Rights Unit to ensure a more collaborative, streamlined and strategic approach to participation by creating a database of all work commissioned. This will be an evidence bank for policy areas to pull from when carrying out Children's Rights and Wellbeing Impact Assessments (CRWIA) and help to reduce duplication and ad-hoc engagement whilst also tackling engagement fatigue felt by stakeholders.

### **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: £4,000,000

## **II.2) Description**

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

Disabled Children and Young People

Lot No

3

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

- 73110000 - Research services

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

NUTS codes

- UKM - Scotland

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

Organisations that work with disabled children (either between a specific age range or across 0-18\* years). Disability is defined in the Equality Act 2010 as a long-lasting health condition that limits daily activity. Organisations should apply an intersectional perspective to understand the combined factors affecting individuals and groups. \*this might, in certain circumstances, be extended to young people up to 26 years e.g., including those making the transition to young adult life.

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

Quality criterion - Name: Organisation purpose, engagement expertise and culture / Weighting: 35

Quality criterion - Name: Leadership, management and staffing of Framework Organisation / Weighting: 10

Quality criterion - Name: Child Protection and Safeguarding / Weighting: 10

Quality criterion - Name: Call-off Project Methodology / Weighting: 25

Quality criterion - Name: CYBER SECURITY / Weighting: 5

Quality criterion - Name: FAIR WORK FIRST / Weighting: 5

Quality criterion - Name: COMMUNITY BENEFITS / Weighting: 5

Quality criterion - Name: BUSINESS CONTINUITY AND DISASTER RECOVERY (BCDR)  
/ Weighting: 5

Quality criterion - Name: CLIMATE EMERGENCY / Weighting: 0

Price - Weighting: 30

#### **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.2.14) Additional information**

A maximum of 4 Service Providers will be appointed to Lot 3.

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

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

Care Experienced Children and Young People

Lot No

4

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

- 73110000 - Research services

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

NUTS codes

- UKM - Scotland

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

Organisations that work with children and young people (either between a specific age range or across 0-26 years) who are in care, on the edge/at risk of care, and care leavers. This could include those involved in the care system, in residential care, fostered and adopted families, those who are looked after at home, in kinship care, and those involved

in the Children's Hearings System. Organisations should apply an intersectional perspective to understand the combined factors affecting individuals and groups.

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

Quality criterion - Name: Organisation purpose, engagement expertise and culture / Weighting: 35

Quality criterion - Name: Leadership, management and staffing of Framework Organisation / Weighting: 10

Quality criterion - Name: Child Protection and Safeguarding / Weighting: 10

Quality criterion - Name: Call-off Project Methodology / Weighting: 25

Quality criterion - Name: CYBER SECURITY / Weighting: 5

Quality criterion - Name: FAIR WORK FIRST / Weighting: 5

Quality criterion - Name: COMMUNITY BENEFITS / Weighting: 5

Quality criterion - Name: BUSINESS CONTINUITY AND DISASTER RECOVERY (BCDR) / Weighting: 5

Quality criterion - Name: CLIMATE EMERGENCY / Weighting: 0

Price - Weighting: 30

### **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.2.14) Additional information**

A maximum of 4 Service Providers will be appointed to Lot 4.

## **II.2) Description**

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

## Children and Young People in the LGBTI+ Community

Lot No

5

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

- 73110000 - Research services

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

NUTS codes

- UKM - Scotland

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

Organisations that work with those under 18 in the LGBTI+ community.

Organisations should apply an intersectional perspective to understand the combined factors affecting individuals and groups.

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

Quality criterion - Name: Organisation purpose, engagement expertise and culture / Weighting: 35

Quality criterion - Name: Leadership, management and staffing of Framework Organisation / Weighting: 10

Quality criterion - Name: Child Protection and Safeguarding / Weighting: 10

Quality criterion - Name: Call-off Project Methodology / Weighting: 25

Quality criterion - Name: CYBER SECURITY / Weighting: 5

Quality criterion - Name: FAIR WORK FIRST / Weighting: 5

Quality criterion - Name: COMMUNITY BENEFITS / Weighting: 5

Quality criterion - Name: BUSINESS CONTINUITY AND DISASTER RECOVERY (BCDR) / Weighting: 5

Quality criterion - Name: CLIMATE EMERGENCY / Weighting: 0

Price - Weighting: 30

### **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.2.14) Additional information**

A maximum of 4 Service Providers will be appointed to Lot 5.

## **II.2) Description**

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

A wide range of Children and Young People

Lot No

1

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

- 73110000 - Research services

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

NUTS codes

- UKM - Scotland

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

Organisations that work with infants, children and young people (either between a specific age range or across 0-18\* years) with particular representation of those who are furthest from their rights/ seldom heard / vulnerable because of factors related to their personal development, features of their family life, or because of wider influences that impact on them within their community. Infants, children and young people may be vulnerable due to multiple factors including those described in the other lots. Organisations should apply an intersectional perspective to understand the combined factors affecting individuals and groups. This may include, although is not limited to: remote communities; those affected by multiple deprivation/ adversities such as homelessness, domestic abuse, substance

misuse, poverty, parent/ carer involvement in the criminal justice system, parent/ carer imprisonment, those in conflict with the law; those affected by domestic abuse; those accessing advocacy services; and young carers.

\*this might, in certain circumstances, be extended to young people up to 26 years e.g., care experienced.

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

Quality criterion - Name: Organisation purpose, engagement expertise and culture / Weighting: 35

Quality criterion - Name: Leadership, management and staffing of Framework Organisation / Weighting: 10

Quality criterion - Name: Child Protection and Safeguarding / Weighting: 10

Quality criterion - Name: Call-off Project Methodology / Weighting: 25

Quality criterion - Name: Cyber Security / Weighting: 5

Quality criterion - Name: Fair Work First / Weighting: 5

Quality criterion - Name: Business Continuity and disaster recovery / Weighting: 5

Quality criterion - Name: Climate Emergency / Weighting: 0

Quality criterion - Name: Community Benefits / Weighting: 5

Price - Weighting: 30

#### **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.2.14) Additional information**

A maximum of 6 Service Providers will be appointed to Lot 1.

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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: [2023/S 000-021946](#)

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

### **Lot No**

5

### **Title**

Children and Young People in the LGBTI+ Community

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

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

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

15 January 2024

#### **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: 1

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**

LGBT Youth Scotland

5 Mitchell Lane

Edinburgh

EH6 7BD

Telephone

+44 7738983248

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £900,000

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

### **Lot No**

1

### **Title**

A wide range of Children and Young People

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

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

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

15 January 2024

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

Number of tenders received: 10

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: 10

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 10

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

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

Scottish Youth Parliament

Mansfield Traquair, 15 Mansfield Place

Edinburgh

EH3 6BB

Telephone

+44 7810187860

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Children's Parliament

Summerhall, Newington

Edinburgh

EH9 1PL

Telephone

+44 7966210476

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Children in Scotland

Thorn House, 5 Rose Street

Edinburgh

EH2 2PR

Telephone

+44 1313138829

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKM75 - Edinburgh, City of

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Young Scot

Caledonian Exchange, 19A Canning Street

Edinburgh

EH3 8EG

Telephone

+44 7891298389

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKM - Scotland

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Youth Scotland

Youth Scotland, Balfour House, 19 Bonnington Grove

EDINBURGH

EH6 4BL

Telephone

+44 7966342847

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Barnardo's

111 Oxfords Road North, Edinburgh

Edinburgh

EH14 1ED

Telephone

+44 1314467000

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKM - Scotland

The contractor is an SME

No

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £1,300,000

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

### **Lot No**

3

### **Title**

Disabled Children and Young People

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

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

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

15 January 2024

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

Number of tenders received: 2

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: 2

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 2

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

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

Children in Scotland

Thorn House, 5 Rose Street

Edinburgh

EH2 2PR

Telephone

+44 1313138829

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKM75 - Edinburgh, City of

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

ARC Scotland

Unit 12 Hardengreen Business Centre

Eskbank

EH22 3NX

Telephone

+44 7841527004

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKM73 - East Lothian and Midlothian

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £900,000

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

### **Lot No**

4

### **Title**

Care Experienced Children and Young People

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

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

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

15 January 2024

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

Number of tenders received: 2

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 2

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

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 2

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 2

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

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

Who Cares? Scotland

40 Wellington Street

Glasgow

G2 6HJ

Telephone

+44 7885252107

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKM - Scotland

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Barnardo's

111 Oxfords Road North, Edinburgh

Edinburgh

EH14 1ED

Telephone

+44 1314467000

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKM - Scotland

The contractor is an SME

No

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £900,000

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

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

This is the first iteration of the Framework Agreement. The overall Framework value is an estimate which may increase or decrease over the Framework Term. Commitment to spend will only be agreed at each call off opportunity.

(SC Ref:758208)

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

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

Edinburgh Sheriff Court and Justice of the Peace Court

27 Chambers Street

Edinburgh

EH11LB

Country

United Kingdom

Internet address

[www.scotcourts.gov.uk/the-courts/court-locations/edinburgh-sheriff-court-and-justice-of-the-peace-court](http://www.scotcourts.gov.uk/the-courts/court-locations/edinburgh-sheriff-court-and-justice-of-the-peace-court)