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## **Bespoke Early Years Agreement**

North Lanarkshire Council

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### **Section I: Contracting authority/entity**

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

North Lanarkshire Council

Civic Centre, Windmillhill Street

Motherwell

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+44 1698302413

#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **NUTS code**

UKM84 - North Lanarkshire

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

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

Buyer's address

[https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search\\_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA00010](https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA00010)

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

Regional or local 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**

Bespoke Early Years Agreement

Reference number

22-162

**II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 80110000 - Pre-school education services

**II.1.3) Type of contract**

Services

**II.1.4) Short description**

Bespoke Early Years Agreement to secure continuity with an incumbent Contractor in the

Kilsyth area for a large volume of children (returners and new) seeking their nursery placements.

#### **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: £427,000

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

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

NUTS codes

- UKM84 - North Lanarkshire

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

Negotiated contract award procedure in conformance with the Public Contracts (Scotland) Regulations 2015 to secure a contract with an essential Contractor for a 12-month period.

#### **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

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## **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:

The proposed Contractor is currently used for funded early years placements for approximately 70 children in session 2022/23, with 57 expected to seek further placement with the proposed Contractor in session 2023/24.

The Contractor is on the existing Council Framework for Early Years provision, but this framework is due to expire in July 2023. In error, the proposed Contractor did not apply to the replacement Framework.

While a replacement framework has been established for the next 4 years (commencing August 2023) there is insufficient capacity in the local area to grant funded placements for the 57 children elsewhere and therefore there is a reliance on the proposed Contractor.

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

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## **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**

24 February 2023

#### **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**

Kidstore Childcare Ltd

Burngreen Lodge, Burngreen Park, Kilsyth

Glasgow

G65 0HT

Telephone

+44 1236827490

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKM84 - North Lanarkshire

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: £427,000

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

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

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

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

Scottish Courts

Edinburgh

Country

United Kingdom

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

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

An economic operator that suffers, or is at risk of suffering, loss or damage attributable to a breach of duty under the Public Contracts (Scotland) Regulations 2015 or the Procurement Reform (Scotland) Act 2014, may bring proceedings in the Sheriff Court or the Court of Session.