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Award

Bespoke Early Years Agreement

North Lanarkshire Council

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-03abdf

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Section I: Contracting authority/entity

I.1) Name and addresses

North Lanarkshire Council

Civic Centre, Windmillhill Street

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Telephone

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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

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

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

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

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

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.