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Contract

## **Flexible Framework for Early Learning and Childcare Services in North Lanarkshire 2020/2023 - Entry Point 3**

North Lanarkshire Council

F21: Social and other specific services – public contracts

Contract award notice

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

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

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#### **Contact**

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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](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

Flexible Framework for Early Learning and Childcare Services in North Lanarkshire  
2020/2023 - Entry Point 3

Reference number

NLC-CPT-19-082 (EP3)

#### II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 80110000 - Pre-school education services

#### II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

#### II.1.4) Short description

North Lanarkshire Council (the “Council”) is required by Scottish Government, under the Children and Young People (Scotland) Act 2014, to provide a funded placement of 1140 hours to all 3 and 4 years old and eligible 2 year olds.

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The Council have already established a Flexible Framework (see [https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/show/search\\_view.aspx?ID=NOV399541](https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/show/search_view.aspx?ID=NOV399541)) to secure external providers who can supplement the Council’s internal early learning and childcare provision. The original Framework was setup for 3 years, with included options for Tenderers to apply to the Framework in either years 2 or 3. This notice is for Entry Point 3 (final entry point), which is applicable for any potential provider and/or setting that is not already on the Framework.

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This contract award procedure is being carried out in accordance with The Public Contracts (Scotland) Regulations 2015, Regulation 74.

#### 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: £36,000,000

## **II.2) Description**

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

- 85312110 - Child daycare services
- 80110000 - Pre-school education services

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

NUTS codes

- UKM84 - North Lanarkshire

Main site or place of performance

North Lanarkshire Council's geographical boundary

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

The following information is intended to give potential Tenderers an overview of the high level requirements.

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Requirements:

Provision of funded placement of 1140 hours per child. Providers must ensure one meal and one snack, per day, is available.

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Providers that intend to prepare meals on site will be required to work with nutritionists from the Council. Meals should be of high nutritional value and all funded providers are required to be registered as a food business operator and provide a copy of their Food Safety and Hygiene Policy.

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It should be noted that funded sessions should not exceed 30 hours per week and 10 hours per day.

Potential Tenderers seeking appointment to this Flexible Framework for more than one Setting will be required to submit an individual tender for each Setting, i.e. a Tenderer with 2 nurseries within the North Lanarkshire geographic area seeking appointment to the Flexible Framework for both nurseries must submit a tender for each individual nursery.

Further to this overview, a detailed specification is contained within the main invitation to tender ("ITT") document which is accessible (and downloadable) from the Buyer Attachment area within the PCS-T tendering system.

Service delivery must be carried out in accordance with the information provided within this Contract Notice, the ITT Document and the Council's Framework Agreement.

#### **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**

PLEASE BE AWARE OF THE EXCLUSION GROUNDS:

Economic operators may be excluded from this competition if they are in any of the situations referred to in regulation 58 of the Public Contracts (Scotland) Regulations 2015.

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## **Section IV. Procedure**

### **IV.1) Description**

#### **IV.1.1) Form of procedure**

Open procedure

#### **IV.1.3) Information about a framework agreement**

The procurement involves the establishment of a framework agreement

#### **IV.1.10) Identification of the national rules applicable to the procedure**

Information about national procedures is available at:

<https://www.legislation.gov.uk/ssi/2015/446/part/2/chapter/3/crossheading/social-and-other-specific-services>

#### **IV.1.11) Main features of the award procedure**

Tenderers are required to complete responses to:

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##### **1 Selection Stage:**

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Must respond to SPD questions 4B.5.1b, 4B.5.2, 4C.6, 4C.10 and 4C.12.

Minimum Rqts apply.

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##### **2 Award Stage:**

Must Accept preset rates. If Tenderer declines, it will result in exclusion.

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Care Inspectorate Registration required.

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Must respond to Questions that will be evaluated. Minimum Rqts apply. Failure to meet any Minimum Rqt will result in exclusion.

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PCS-T contains further details

#### **IV.2) Administrative information**

##### **IV.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure**

Notice number: [2021/S 000-023146](#)

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

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

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

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

1 March 2022

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

Number of tenders received: 4

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 4

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

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 0

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 4

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

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

Happy Sunshine Childminding

54 Garnqueen Crescent, Glenboig

COATBRIDGE

ML5 2SX

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKM84 - North Lanarkshire

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Lesley Mccoll

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Glasgow

G68 0bw

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Gillian McIndewar Childminding

81 Lomond Road

Coatbridge

m15 2nh

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKM84 - North Lanarkshire

The contractor is an SME

Yes



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

Total value of the contract/lot: £36,000,000

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

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

The successful tenderers from entry point 3 will join the existing and original framework for Early Learning and Childcare Services in North Lanarkshire 2020/2023.

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V.2.4) Information on value of the Contract/Lot (excluding VAT) - to clarify this is the value of the original framework and not additional money.

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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.