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Contract

Additional Support for Learning - National Advocacy Service

Scottish Government

F03: Contract award notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

Scottish Government

5 Atlantic Quay, 150 Broomielaw

Glasgow

G2 8LU

Email

ross.cameron@gov.scot

Country

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

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

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Additional Support for Learning - National Advocacy Service

Reference number

Case 715942

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 79110000 - Legal advisory and representation services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

The Scottish Government's Directorate for Learning (Support and Wellbeing Unit) requires a suitably qualified and experienced Supplier to provide a National Advocacy Service on behalf of individual children and young people who may require additional learning support.

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: £1,109,800

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKM - Scotland

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The purpose of the National Advocacy Service is to fulfil the legal requirement to provide a free of charge advocacy service to parents and young people who make a reference to the Additional Support Needs jurisdiction within the Health and Education Chamber of the First-tier Tribunal for Scotland, against an education authority's decisions regarding the provision of educational support.

The requirement is for a national service, and the supplier must provide a service that is equal and universally accessible to eligible persons throughout Scotland.

The objective of the contract is to deliver the following outcomes:

- To provide independent advocacy and representation for young people and parents of children with additional support needs from the time they have grounds to make a referral to the ASN Tribunal.
- Seek to resolve individual cases at a local level where possible prior to referral to the ASN Tribunal.
- Provide representation to young people and parents of children with additional support needs at the Additional Support Needs jurisdiction of the Health and Education Chamber of the First-tier Tribunal for Scotland where appropriate.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 70

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

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Open procedure

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

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Section V. Award of contract

Contract No

Case 715942

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

12 February 2025

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

Govan Law Centre

18-20 Orkney Street

Glasgow

G51 2BX

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKM82 - Glasgow City

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £1,109,800

V.2.5) Information about subcontracting

The contract is likely to be subcontracted

Value or proportion likely to be subcontracted to third parties

Proportion: 17 %

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

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VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Edinburgh Sheriff Court and Justice of the Peace Court

Edinburgh

EH11LB

Country

United Kingdom