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## **KMCAS-178 Domestic Abuse Support Services (DASS)**

Kirklees Council

F15: Voluntary ex ante transparency notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocids-h6vhtk-043d66

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

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

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#### **Country**

United Kingdom

**Region code**

UKE44 - Calderdale and Kirklees

**Justification for not providing organisation identifier**

Not on any register

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://www.kirklees.gov.uk>

**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**

KMCAS-178 Domestic Abuse Support Services (DASS)

Reference number

KMCAS-178

#### **II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 85000000 - Health and social work services

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

Services

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

Our Domestic Abuse Strategy 2022-2027 sets out a vision for Kirklees to work together around individuals, families and communities to prevent, respond to and repair the damage caused by domestic abuse, with a range of services that are accessible and available to anyone who may need them.

To support this vision, we require a seamless offer for victims of domestic abuse and their children that shifts responsibility for safety away from individual survivors to the community and services existing to support them.

The Strategy also provides a commitment to exploring how we can support more perpetrators to change their behaviour. Unfortunately, our current offer includes only limited interventions available for perpetrators of domestic abuse.

In line with the outcomes required for the Strategy we are looking to commission a new service that can:

- provide trauma-informed support to medium-high risk victims of domestic abuse, and their children, to recover from abuse and to access the support they need from other services (building on the successes of the existing Independent Domestic Abuse Advisor Service, community-based complex needs intervention, therapeutic support service for children and young people and therapeutic support for victims);
- develop a skilled workforce that can use a trauma-informed 'Team around the

Family/Couple' approach to support perpetrators of domestic abuse to address the root causes of their abusive behaviour and access support with a range of needs (building on existing group work programmes to provide tailored 1-1 support);

- take the lead in coordinating the range of support required for those on their caseload and actively participate in multi-agency arrangements to safeguard children and vulnerable adults;
- navigate complex delivery arrangements with existing providers to minimise duplication and maximise best use of resources; and
- participate in multi-agency arrangements at a strategic level and support the Domestic Abuse Partnership to identify and redress gaps in available support.

We are fortunate to have very strong specialist services in Kirklees, but in order for the delivery providers to build on their existing practice and provide a more holistic service it is recognised that they need the opportunity to work more closely together.

The new contract will develop approaches that do not currently exist in Kirklees; through a lead provider/sub-contractor model developed through a Social Impact Bond (SIB) via collaboration with a social investment partner and using a payment by outcomes model to deliver the proposed new offer for victims of domestic abuse and their children.

The new payment by outcomes contract will start 1st April 2024 for a 5 year period until 31st March 2029. The nature of the payment by outcomes model is grounds to enter into a 5 year contract to ensure the social investor is able to recoup it's investment and, as a minimum, recover full costs by the conclusion of the contract.

#### **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: £4,550,000

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

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

- 85000000 - Health and social work services

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

NUTS codes

- UKE44 - Calderdale and Kirklees

Main site or place of performance

The Borough of Kirklees

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

Kirklees Council published a PIN as a call for competition in December 2022 to test the market and identify any Economic Operators that would be interested in working with us, at risk, to co-design, develop and deliver a new Domestic Abuse Support Service via a payment by outcomes contract. The deadline for responses was Friday 20th January 2023.

Only one Expression of Interest was received, from Kirklees Better Outcomes Partnership (KBOP). The decision was taken to use the 'negotiated procedure without prior publication' procedure (Reg 32), which allowed the Authority to commission KBOP directly on the basis that no other organisation/economic operator was interested in co-designing and delivering the contract.

#### **II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: No

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

Original PIN notice:

2022/S 000-035358

Link to Kirklees Cabinet paper:

<https://democracy.kirklees.gov.uk/documents/s55573/2024>

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## **Section IV. Procedure**

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

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

Award of a contract without prior publication of a call for competition in the cases listed below

- The procurement falls outside the scope of application of the regulations

Explanation:

This contract was advertised by a PIN as a call for competition in December 2022, asking for economic operators to provide us with relevant information if they were interested in tendering for a payment by outcomes contract with a number of delivery partners via a Lead/Sub-Contractor or Consortia model.

Only one expression of interest was received in response to the PIN notice, from Kirklees Better Outcomes Partnership (KBOP). They confirmed they were interested in working with the Authority to co-design, develop and deliver the DASS, at risk, through a Social Impact Bond. The decision was taken to award the contract using the 'negotiated procedure without prior publication' procedure (Reg 32).

This award is lawful because:

- no other suitable expressions of interest were received in response to the PIN notice which was published as a call for competition, in line with Reg 32 (2) (a).
- it also evidenced, and confirmed the Authorities understanding, that there was only one economic operator that could deliver the requirements of the contract, in line with Reg 32 (2) (b).

An evaluation of KBOP's EOI submission in line with the requirements set out in the PIN notice, plus due diligence checks, were undertaken to ensure the provider had the necessary technical and professional ability to undertake the contract.

A report to request authorisation to award a contract to KBOP was submitted to Kirklees Council Cabinet and approved on 20th February 2024.

We will be observing a voluntary standstill period which will end at Midnight on 11th March 2024.

A contract award notice will be published following the end of standstill.

**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**

### **Contract No**

KMCAS-178

### **Title**

KMCAS-178 Domestic Abuse Support Service

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

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

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

20 February 2024

#### **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**

Kirklees Better Outcomes Partnerships

Huddersfield

HD1 1RL

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKE44 - Calderdale and Kirklees

Companies House

11670120

The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

Yes

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

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot/concession: £4,550,000

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**Section VI. Complementary information**

**VI.4) Procedures for review**

**VI.4.1) Review body**

High Court of England and Wales

N/A

Country

United Kingdom