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Contract

SENDIASS (Special Education Needs and Disability (SEND) Information, Advice and Support Service)

Sandwell Metropolitan Borough Council

F03: Contract award notice

Notice identifier: 2023/S 000-006531

Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-038d0b

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

Sandwell Metropolitan Borough Council

Sandwell Council House, Freeth Street

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Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

UKG37 - Sandwell

Internet address(es)

Main address

www.sandwell.gov.uk

Buyer's address

www.sandwell.gov.uk

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

SENDIASS (Special Education Needs and Disability (SEND) Information, Advice and Support Service)

Reference number

SMBC 22139

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 85311300 - Welfare services for children and young people

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

The purpose of this document was to set out the Council and the Integrated Care

Board(ICB)'s requirements of an Information, Advice and Support Service for parents and carers of children and young people with a Special Educational Need or Disability (SEND) and young people who have a SEND. The Council and the ICB's vision is that parents and carers of children and young people with SEND have access to a high-quality information, advice and support service, which is widely respected as an impartial source of support. Sandwell Council approved the establishment of a SENDIASS service originally in October 2014. A service duly commenced in April 2015. Joint commissioning of the SENDIASS service between the Council and the Black Country ICB has been agreed from April 2023. The Council proposes to enter into a Contract for an initial term of Three (3) years with a possible extension of a further year subject to provision of budget. Anticipated commencement date 1st April 2023 to 31 March 202

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: £500,000

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 85311300 - Welfare services for children and young people
- 80340000 - Special education services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKG37 - Sandwell

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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Three (3) years with a possible extension of a further year subject to provision of budget.
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II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 60%

Price - Weighting: 40%

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

II.2.14) Additional information

The Council proposes to enter into a Contract for an initial term of Three (3) years with a possible extension of a further year, subject to provision of budget and funding.

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Open procedure

IV.1.3) Information about a framework agreement or a dynamic purchasing system

The procurement involves the establishment of a framework agreement

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

Title

SENDIASS (Special Education Needs and Disability (SEND) Information, Advice and Support Service)

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

7 March 2023

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 3

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 0

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: 3

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Barnardo Services Limited

Brooklands, Great Cornbow

Halesowen West Midlands

B63 3AB

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKG36 - Dudley

The contractor is an SME

No

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

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot: £500,000

Total value of the contract/lot: £500,000

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

The High Court of England

Royal Court of Justice the Strand

London

WC2A 2LL

Country

United Kingdom