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Contract

Participation Panel to Support the First Minister's National Advisory Council on Women and Girls

Scottish Government

F03: Contract award notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

Scottish Government

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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.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

Participation Panel to Support the First Minister's National Advisory Council on Women and Girls

Reference number

CASE/605028

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 98000000 - Other community, social and personal services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

The Scottish Government on behalf of Scottish Ministers has a requirement to establish a dedicated participation panel of women to support phase two of The First Minister's National Advisory Council on Women and Girls activity.

The National Advisory Council on Women and Girls (NACWG) was set up in 2017 by the Scottish Government to provide independent advice to the First Minister on improving gender equality in Scotland. A package of recommendations was developed over three years that Phase One NACWG believed would kick start systemic change in a positive direction. All recommendations from these three annual reports have been accepted. Phase Two NACWG launched on 31 March 2022 and has a core model of scrutiny, in which the NACWG will hold the Scottish Government to account over the implementation of the accepted recommendations.

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: £321,832.74

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 75200000 - Provision of services to the community
- 98000000 - Other community, social and personal services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKM - Scotland

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

A dedicated participation panel of women (the Panel) is to be convened to support Phase Two of NACWG activity. The successful tenderer will establish and coordinate the Panel of around 20 women from grassroots organisations and be part of a wider network who are not usually given a voice in this type of space. The participation work will be led by lived experience and the re-distribution of power will be at the heart of the participation process. The overarching objective for the Panel is to work with the NACWG in their accountability process by providing lived experience expertise on how Phase One NACWG recommendations need to be implemented for them to have a tangible positive difference

to women's lives. The Panel will also analyse, discuss and develop solutions to be recommended to the NACWG on specific topics relevant to the current landscape and relevant to their lives.

Members of the Panel will be supported to do this role through capacity building workshops on gender equality, policy development and intersectionality alongside mentoring style support to ensure that they have the skills they feel they need to fully participate. A demand-led approach will be taken with the group identifying its own support needs.

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

II.2.14) Additional information

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.

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/605028

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

21 February 2023

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: 4

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 4

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Sleeping Giants Community Development CIC

Bankview, Bridge of Dee

Castle Douglas

DG7 1TR

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKM92 - Dumfries & Galloway

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £321,832.74

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

Technical Assessment - Full details of the technical criteria detailed within Invitation to Tender.

Please note there are minimum requirements concerning Cyber Security for this contract. Tenderers will be required to complete an online Supplier Assurance Questionnaire using the Cyber Security Procurement Support Tool. A link to CSPST can be found here: <https://cyberassessment.gov.scot/>

The questionnaire will be aligned to a Cyber Risk Profile that has been established for the contract, based on the Contracting Authority's assessment of cyber risk.

Further details will be set out in the procurement documents. A contract condition for this procurement requires the Tenderer to comply with the minimum security requirements.

Tenderers must also confirm:

- they will pay staff that are involved in the delivery of the contract, at least the real Living Wage
- they will meet standards on payment of subcontractors

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VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Edinburgh Sheriff Court and Justice of the Peace Court

27 Chambers Street

Edinburgh

EH11LB

Country

United Kingdom