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Provision of Mental Health Support Services at Oakwood Hall, Leeds

Leeds City Council - PACS

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Section I: Contracting authority/entity

I.1) Name and addresses

Leeds City Council - PACS

Civic Hall

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Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UKE42 - Leeds

Justification for not providing organisation identifier

Not on any register

Internet address(es)

Main address

www.leeds.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

Provision of Mental Health Support Services at Oakwood Hall, Leeds

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 85000000 - Health and social work services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Provision of mental health support services at Oakwood Hall, Leeds.

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: £997,880

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 85000000 - Health and social work services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKE42 - Leeds

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The provision of mental health support services at Oakwood Hall, Leeds. Oakwood Hall is a twelve-bed dual registered nursing and residential care home for people whose mental health needs cannot be satisfactorily met from other services.

The service provides recovery focused, responsive care and support focusing on therapeutic engagement, meaningful daily activity and the opportunity to make positive change in the behaviours that have led to being excluded from other services.

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: Yes

Description of options

The contract may be extended for an additional period of up to 12 months in any combination.

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Negotiated without a prior call for competition

- The works, supplies or services can be provided only by a particular economic operator for the following reason:
 - absence of competition for technical reasons

Explanation:

It is considered the above ground applies in this case as there is strong evidence that no reasonable alternative to Community Links (Northern) Ltd providing the service exists for the following reasons:

A wider review of Community Based Mental Health services is being undertaken in conjunction with the ICB in Leeds. These services are required to maintain continuity of service whilst the Council and ICB partners complete a review of community based mental health provision, anticipated to conclude during 2024. The review includes these services amongst others, with the objective to re-commission remodelled services and explore budget pooling and longer-term recommissioning options.

As an NHS body, the ICB in Leeds has to adhere to certain statutory guidance around conducting engagement as part of any potential change to service provision. The process must therefore be undertaken within the required statutory time period of six months, which we must allow time for within the process.

The Council is committed to working collaboratively with the ICB in Leeds, as mandated by the NHS Long Term Plan and the Leeds Mental Health Strategy. On that basis, we are undertaking a joint review of services, which are jointly funded. Procuring solely the Council-funded element of a jointly funded service is not an available option for us as part of the wider joint review and is not aligned to ICB in Leeds health priorities as set out in the NHS Long Term Plan.

Community Links (Northern) Ltd has provided the services at Oakwood Hall for a period in excess of twenty years. We must therefore work with them to inform and shape the new service provision. If they were not involved in the review, then the quality of the outcome of the review would be diminished. Maintaining service continuity will therefore be a requirement of the service review.

Undertaking a competitive procurement exercise whilst the review work is being undertaken would also be disruptive to the lives of very vulnerable service users who can be unsettled by change of any type, least of all the provider delivering their care and support changing. Having a change of provider for a short period could also result in a potential loss of knowledgeable staff and incur additional financial cost.

IV.1.8) Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: No

Section V. Award of contract/concession

Title

Provision of mental health support services at Oakwood Hall, Leeds.

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract/concession

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

22 February 2023

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

Community Links (Northern) Ltd

Leeds

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKE42 - Leeds

Justification for not providing organisation identifier

Not on any register

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: £997,880

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Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

The High Court of Justice

The Strand

London

WC2A 2LL

Country

United Kingdom