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Contract

WP952 UKSPF Business Growth Support

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F03: Contract award notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

WP3952 - UKSPF Business Growth Support

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Walsall

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Email

procurement@walsall.gov.uk

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

UKG38 - Walsall

Internet address(es)

Main address

<https://go.walsall.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

WP952 UKSPF Business Growth Support

Reference number

WP3952

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 79400000 - Business and management consultancy and related services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

The Council wishes to commission a contract for the provision of a business programme to support Walsall start-ups and small and medium enterprises (SMEs) to overcome barriers and maximise opportunities to increase their productivity. Set to be delivered until 31st March 2025, the provision should provide expert advice, guidance and support to businesses in the form of 1-2-1 engagement and events. The provider should work with business leaders to take a forensic look at their business and connect them with support that will best create growth. Funded by the UK Shared Prosperity Fund, providers should set out how they will deliver against the UKSPF investment priorities of Supporting Local Business, as well as supporting delivery of the overarching Council Plan vision and themes, by identifying priority interventions and activities that can be delivered between 1 January 2024 and March 2025, with an option to extend for further 24 months should

further funding be received by Gover

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: £450,000

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 79400000 - Business and management consultancy and related services
- 79410000 - Business and management consultancy services
- 79411100 - Business development consultancy services
- 79900000 - Miscellaneous business and business-related services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKG38 - Walsall

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 90

Cost criterion - Name: Cost / Weighting: 10

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: Yes

Identification of the project

UKSPF

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

WP3952

Title

UKSPF - Business Growth Support

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

1 March 2024

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 7

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 7

Number of tenders received from tenderers from other EU Member States: 7

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 0

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 7

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Oxford Innovation Services Limited

Oxford Centre for Innovation, New Road, Oxford OX1 1BY

Oxford

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKG38 - Walsall

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot: £450,000

Total value of the contract/lot: £428,874

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Walsall Metropolitan Borough Council

Walsall

WS1 1TP

Country

United Kingdom