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Contract

Flexible Framework for Early Learning & Childcare Services in North Lanarkshire 2023-2027

North Lanarkshire Council

F21: Social and other specific services – public contracts

Contract award notice

Notice identifier: 2023/S 000-006960

Procurement identifier (OCID): ocids-h6vhtk-0372ee

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

North Lanarkshire Council

Civic Centre, Windmillhill Street

Motherwell

ML1 1AB

Contact

Early Years Team

Email

ef.earlyyears@northlan.gov.uk

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

UKM84 - North Lanarkshire

Internet address(es)

Main address

<http://www.northlanarkshire.gov.uk>

Buyer's address

https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA00010

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

Flexible Framework for Early Learning & Childcare Services in North Lanarkshire 2023-2027

Reference number

NLP-CPT-22-038

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 80110000 - Pre-school education services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

In accordance with The Public Contracts (Scotland) Regulations 2015, Regulation 74, the Council intend to establish a Flexible Framework to secure external providers who can supplement the Council's internal early learning and childcare provision. The proposed Framework will be for 4 years, with options for Tenderers to apply to the Framework in either years 1, 2, 3 or 4.

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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: £60,000,000

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 85312110 - Child daycare services
- 80110000 - Pre-school education services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKM84 - North Lanarkshire

Main site or place of performance

North Lanarkshire Council's geographical boundary

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The invitation to tender (“ITT”) pack which is accessible (and downloadable) from the Buyer Attachment area within the PCS-T tendering system outlines the requirements and objectives of this framework.

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Service delivery must be carried out in accordance with the information provided within this Contract Notice, the ITT Document and the Council's Framework Agreement.

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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

PLEASE BE AWARE OF THE EXCLUSION GROUNDS:

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) Form of procedure

Open procedure

IV.1.3) Information about a framework agreement

The procurement involves the establishment of a framework agreement

IV.1.10) Identification of the national rules applicable to the procedure

Information about national procedures is available at:

www.legislation.gov.uk/ssi/2015/446/schedule/3/made

IV.1.11) Main features of the award procedure

This tender exercise is being facilitated through PCSTender

Tenderers are required to complete responses to:

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PCSTender-Qualification Envelope:

This is based on the SPD (Single Procurement Document). Tenderers must respond to questions 4B.5.1b, 4B.5.2, 4C.10 and 4C.12.

Minimum Requirements apply.

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PCSTender-Technical Envelope:

Tenderers must respond to Questions that will be evaluated. Minimum Requirements apply. Failure to meet any Minimum Requirements will result in exclusion.

IV.2) Administrative information

IV.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure

Notice number: [2022/S 000-027882](#)

Section V. Award of contract

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

7 February 2023

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 140

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 140

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: 140

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

North Lanarkshire Council

Windmillhill Street

Motherwell

ML1 1AB

Email

ef.earlyyears@northlan.gov.uk

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKM84 - North Lanarkshire

Internet address

<https://www.northlanarkshire.gov.uk/business/procurement/transport-education-awards>

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

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot: £60,000,000

Total value of the contract/lot: £60,000,000

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

AWARD INFORMATION:

Full details of individual Providers appointed to the Flexible Framework are listed in the file attached at the below web link (see header “Flexible Framework for Early Learning & Childcare Services – Award Information”):

<https://www.northlanarkshire.gov.uk/schools-and-learning/early-learning-and-childcare>

ADDITIONAL ENTRY POINTS:

Further entry points to the Flexible Framework will be permitted in 2024, 2025 and 2026 for which contract notice adverts will continue to be published on the Public Contract Scotland website.

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VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Scottish Courts

Edinburgh

Country

United Kingdom

VI.4.3) Review procedure

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

An economic operator that suffers, or is at risk of suffering, loss or damage attributable to a breach of duty under the Public Contracts (Scotland) Regulations 2015 or the Procurement Reform (Scotland) Act 2014, may bring proceedings in the Sheriff Court or the Court of Session.

