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Award

Young Person's Supported Accommodation and Floating Support Service

Kent County Council

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocids-h6vhtk-03369b

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Section I: Contracting authority/entity

I.1) Name and addresses

Kent County Council

Sessions House

Maidstone

ME14 1XQ

Contact

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Email

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Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UKJ4 - Kent

Internet address(es)

Main address

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

Buyer's address

<http://www.kent.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

Young Person's Supported Accommodation and Floating Support Service

Reference number

DN609841

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 85311000 - Social work services with accommodation

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Primary aim is to provide support for vulnerable young people who cannot live independently

who are Children in Care aged 16/17, Children in Need aged 16/17 who are homeless and have

additional needs, and Kent Care Leavers up to the age of 25 years.

In addition the service provides housing related support outreach for those moving on into independent living. The E-beds element of this contract offers the facility of a bed for a one/two night emergency use.

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: £2,960,000

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKJ4 - Kent

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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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

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Award of a contract without prior publication of a call for competition in the cases listed below

- The procurement falls outside the scope of application of the regulations

Explanation:

The Council intends to award contracts without a prior publication of a call for competition to Look Ahead Care and Support, Sanctuary Supported Living and YMCA Thames Gateway, who are the incumbent providers, for a period of 12 months, as the new regulations for the Unregulated Accommodation Sector, which was due to be operational from 1 April 2023, have not yet been published. The new regulations will be underpinned by Ofsted Inspections and will require providers to be registered with Ofsted.

The Council is unable to embark on re-procurement of the service, as it awaits the publication of the regulations. It is therefore making a direct awards of contracts for a period of 12 months, enabling it to work with the providers to a locally agreed framework for the YPSAF service, which requires the providers to accept contractual risks in the provision of the service.

The Council anticipates that the new regulations will be published in March 2023 and the direct award of contracts for 12 months will enable the Council to understand the full implications of the new regulations and to specify requirements, including budget.

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: No

IV.2) Administrative information

IV.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure

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Section V. Award of contract/concession

Contract No

SC220190

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract/concession

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

1 March 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

Sanctuary Housing Association

Sanctuary House, Chamber Court, Castle Street

Worcester

WR1 3ZQ

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKJ4 - Kent

The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot/concession: £2,960,000

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Look Ahead Care and Support

Kings Building, 16 Smith Square

London

SW1P 3HO

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKJ4 - Kent

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YMCA Thames Gateway

29 Rush Green Road

Romford

RM7 0PH

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKJ4 - Kent

The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot/concession: £2,960,000

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Kent County Council

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