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Contract

## **Step up to Social Work**

Somerset Council  
South Gloucestershire Council  
Bath and North East Somerset Council  
Swindon Borough Council  
North Somerset Council  
Bristol City Council  
Devon County Council  
Plymouth City Council  
Torbay Council  
Cornwall Council

F03: Contract award notice

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### **Section I: Contracting authority**

#### **I.1) Name and addresses**

Somerset Council

Taunton

TA1 4DY

#### **Email**

[iain.copeland@somerset.gov.uk](mailto:iain.copeland@somerset.gov.uk)

#### **Country**

United Kingdom

**Region code**

UKK - South West (England)

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

[www.somerset.gov.uk](http://www.somerset.gov.uk)

**I.1) Name and addresses**

South Gloucestershire Council

Council Offices, Badminton Road

Yate

BS37 5AF

**Email**

[iain.copeland@somerset.gov.uk](mailto:iain.copeland@somerset.gov.uk)

**Country**

United Kingdom

**Region code**

UKK12 - Bath and North East Somerset, North Somerset and South Gloucestershire

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://www.southglos.gov.uk>

**I.1) Name and addresses**

Bath and North East Somerset Council

Keynsham Civic Centre, Market Walk

Keynsham

BS31 1FS

**Email**

[iain.copeland@somerset.gov.uk](mailto:iain.copeland@somerset.gov.uk)

**Country**

United Kingdom

**Region code**

UKK12 - Bath and North East Somerset, North Somerset and South Gloucestershire

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

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

**I.1) Name and addresses**

Swindon Borough Council

Swindon Borough Council, Civic Offices, Euclid Street

Swindon

SN1 2JH

**Email**

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**Country**

United Kingdom

**Region code**

UKK14 - Swindon

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

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

**I.1) Name and addresses**

North Somerset Council

Town Hall, Walliscote Grove Road

Weston-super-Mare

BS23 1UJ

**Email**

[iain.copeland@somerset.gov.uk](mailto:iain.copeland@somerset.gov.uk)

**Country**

United Kingdom

**Region code**

UKK12 - Bath and North East Somerset, North Somerset and South Gloucestershire

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<http://www.n-somerset.gov.uk/>

**I.1) Name and addresses**

Bristol City Council

City Hall

Bristol

BS1 5TB

**Email**

[iain.copeland@somerset.gov.uk](mailto:iain.copeland@somerset.gov.uk)

**Country**

United Kingdom

**Region code**

UKK11 - Bristol, City of

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://www.bristol.gov.uk/>

**I.1) Name and addresses**

Devon County Council

County Hall, Topsham Road

Exeter

EX2 4QD

**Email**

[iain.copeland@somerset.gov.uk](mailto:iain.copeland@somerset.gov.uk)

**Country**

United Kingdom

**Region code**

UKK43 - Devon CC

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

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

### **I.1) Name and addresses**

Plymouth City Council

Ballard House, West Hoe Road

Plymouth

PL1 3BJ

#### **Email**

[iain.copeland@somerset.gov.uk](mailto:iain.copeland@somerset.gov.uk)

#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **Region code**

UKK41 - Plymouth

#### **Internet address(es)**

Main address

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

### **I.1) Name and addresses**

Torbay Council

Town Hall, Castle Circus

Torquay

#### **Email**

[iain.copeland@somerset.gov.uk](mailto:iain.copeland@somerset.gov.uk)

#### **Country**

United Kingdom

**Region code**

UKK42 - Torbay

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

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

**I.1) Name and addresses**

Cornwall Council

County Hall, Treyew Road

Truro

TR1 3AY

**Email**

[iain.copeland@somerset.gov.uk](mailto:iain.copeland@somerset.gov.uk)

**Country**

United Kingdom

**Region code**

UKK30 - Cornwall and Isles of Scilly

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

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

**I.2) Information about joint procurement**

The contract involves joint procurement

**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**

Step up to Social Work

Reference number

ERFX1001341

#### **II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 80400000 - Adult and other education services

#### **II.1.3) Type of contract**

Services

#### **II.1.4) Short description**

For a Higher Education Provider to Design and Delivery of a Post Graduate Diploma in Social Work Programme (Step Up to Social Work). This Contract is being procured on behalf of the following organisations:

- Somerset Council (lead authority)
- South Gloucestershire Council
- Bath and North East Somerset Council
- Swindon Borough Council
- North Somerset Council
- Bristol City Council
- Devon County Council
- Plymouth City Council
- Torbay Council
- Cornwall Council

### **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: £532,616

## **II.2) Description**

### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UKK23 - Somerset

### **II.2.4) Description of the procurement**

For further information and access to the tender documents, please visit:

<https://supplierlive.proactisp2p.com/Account/Login>

Please note, the contract value is an estimated value based on the initial contract period. The initial contract period is for 2 years, with the option to extend for a further Cohort (15 months)

### **II.2.5) Award criteria**

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 70

Quality criterion - Name: Social Value / Weighting: 10

Cost criterion - Name: Procurement Document D - Total Cost for programme based on 47 trainees / Weighting: 20

### **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

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## **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: No

### **IV.2) Administrative information**

#### **IV.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure**

Notice number: [2024/S 000-032169](#)

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## **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**

24 February 2025

#### **V.2.2) Information about tenders**

Number of tenders received: 1

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 0

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: 1

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

#### **V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor**

The University of the West of England, Bristol

The University of the West of England, Bristol, Frenchay Campus, Coldharbour Lane,

Bristol

BS16 1QY

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKK23 - Somerset

The contractor is an SME

No

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £532,616

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.4) Procedures for review**

#### **VI.4.1) Review body**

Public Procurement Review Service

Cabinet Office

London

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[publicprocurementreview@cabinetoffice.gov.uk](mailto:publicprocurementreview@cabinetoffice.gov.uk)

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United Kingdom

