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Contract

Contract for the Provision of the Staffordshire Business Helpline Service

Staffordshire County Council

F03: Contract award notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocids-h6vhtk-042c41

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

Staffordshire County Council

Tipping Street

STAFFORD

ST162DH

Email

michelle.davies@staffordshire.gov.uk

Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UKG - West Midlands (England)

Justification for not providing organisation identifier

Not on any register

Internet address(es)

Main address

<https://www.staffordshire.gov.uk/Homepage.aspx>

Buyer's address

<https://supplierlive.proactisp2p.com>

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

Contract for the Provision of the Staffordshire Business Helpline Service

Reference number

IA3073

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

Staffordshire County Council has awarded a contract on behalf of the Stoke-on-Trent and Staffordshire Growth Hub, and in conjunction with City of Stoke-on-Trent Council, for the ongoing operation of a business support helpline service which is the core of the Stoke on Trent & Staffordshire Growth Hub.

The helpline is underpinned by four principles:

? Any business calling the single point of contact should be able to obtain appropriate help in the minimum number of contacts/referrals

? The helpline will be manned by SFEDI qualified business advisors (or equivalent) who understand the purpose of Growth Hubs and have the necessary experience and capability to make accurate referrals.

? Businesses should be encouraged to meet with a Business Advisor to take advantage of the opportunity that a diagnostic provides to fully explore any and all opportunities for growth or growth enhancement.

? Where appropriate, businesses should be encouraged to self-help via the most cost-effective channels, such as internet sites www.stokestaffsgrowthhub.co.uk or www.gov.uk

These principles have been reflected in service delivery by seeking to answer questions

immediately where possible, and by following up any referrals by contacting the enquirer to ensure that the referral agency has responded.

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: £210,000

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 79411100 - Business development consultancy services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKG2 - Shropshire and Staffordshire

Main site or place of performance

Staffordshire

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Open threshold procurement was followed

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 60

Price - Weighting: 40

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: Yes

Description of options

Option to extend for a further 12 months to the 31st March 2027

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

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

11 March 2024

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 1

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 1

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

Staffordshire Chambers of Commerce & Industry Limited

Stoke-on-Trent

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKG2 - Shropshire and Staffordshire

Companies House

465975

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £210,000

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Staffordshire County Council

Stafford

Country

United Kingdom