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Awarded contract

Procurement of Criminal Defence Direct Services in England and Wales from 1 June 2021

The Legal Aid Agency

F03: Contract award notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

The Legal Aid Agency

102 Petty France

London

SW1H 9AJ

Email

civiltenders@justice.gov.uk

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

UKI - London

Internet address(es)

Main address

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/legal-aid-agency>

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Ministry or any other national or federal authority

I.5) Main activity

General public services

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Procurement of Criminal Defence Direct Services in England and Wales from 1 June 2021

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 79100000 - Legal services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

The Legal Aid Agency (LAA) invited Applicants to submit a Tender for a Criminal Defence Direct Contract 2021 (“CDD Contract” or “Contract”) to deliver Criminal Defence Direct (“CDD”) Services from 1 June 2021.

The LAA looked to award a total of two (2) CDD Contracts of equal size to two separate organisations as a result of the procurement.

This notice confirms the awarded contracts as a result of this procurement process.

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: £3,480,000

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

Main site or place of performance

England and Wales only

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality Award Criterion1 - Staffing the Service / Weighting: 9.74

Quality criterion - Name: Quality Award Criterion 2- Delivery of a Quality Service / Weighting: 8.42

Quality criterion - Name: Quality Award Criterion 3 - Capacity Planning / Weighting: 15.26

Quality criterion - Name: Quality Award Criterion 4 – Implementation Plan / Weighting: 6.58

Price - Weighting: 60

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

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

Notice number: [2020/S 222-547426](#)

Section V. Award of contract

Contract No

1

Lot No

1

Title

CDD contract 2021

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

6 April 2021

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 7

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 7

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

The Johnson Partnership

Cannon Courtyard, Long Row

Nottingham

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £3,480,000

Section V. Award of contract

Contract No

2

Lot No

1

Title

CDD contract 2021

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

6 April 2021

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 7

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 7

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

Watson Woodhouse Ltd

York House, 102-108 Borough Road,

Middlesbrough

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKE22 - North Yorkshire CC

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £34,800,000

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Legal Aid Agency

102 Petty France

London

SW1H 9AJ

Country

United Kingdom

VI.4.2) Body responsible for mediation procedures

Centre for Dispute Resolution

70 Fleet Street

London

EC4Y 1EU

Country

United Kingdom

VI.4.4) Service from which information about the review procedure may be obtained

Legal Aid Agency

102 Petty France

London

SW1H 9AJ

Country

United Kingdom