

This is a published notice on the Find a Tender service: <https://www.find-tender.service.gov.uk/Notice/008806-2021>

Contract

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

The Legal Aid Agency

F03: Contract award notice

Notice identifier: 2021/S 000-008806

Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-02a9d7

Published 23 April 2021, 10:55pm

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

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

The Legal Aid Agency

102 Petty France

London

SW1H 9AJ

#### **Email**

[civiltenders@justice.gov.uk](mailto: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**

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.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

