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Contract

Distribution of the Durham County News (DCN) & Other Council Publications

Durham County Council

F03: Contract award notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocids-h6vhtk-031249

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

Durham County Council

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DURHAM

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Contact

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Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UKC14 - Durham CC

Internet address(es)

Main address

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

Buyer's address

www.nepoportal.org

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

Distribution of the Durham County News (DCN) & Other Council Publications

Reference number

DN595527

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 79824000 - Printing and distribution services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

The Contract is for the Distribution of the Durham County News (DCN) Magazine and other Council Publications.

The Council was seeking to appoint a single Contractor to distribute the Council's Magazine four times a year (Spring, Summer, Autumn and Winter).

There may also be a requirement to Distribute a Guide to Services and an Essential Guide to Summer Fun (together "the Publications), Both Guides could potentially be subject to Council review in the future in terms of how they are delivered

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.1.7) Total value of the procurement (excluding VAT)

Lowest offer: £350,000 / Highest offer: £450,000 taken into consideration

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 79824000 - Printing and distribution services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKC - North East (England)

Main site or place of performance

The Council's Magazine and two Publications (if required) are to be distributed door to door to approximately 259,442 homes in County Durham, but this figure may be subject to future fluctuation.

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Methodology / Weighting: 25

Quality criterion - Name: Named and Proposed Contract Manager / Weighting: 5

Price - Weighting: 70

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: No

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Open procedure

IV.1.3) Information about a framework agreement or a dynamic purchasing system

The procurement involves the establishment of a framework agreement

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

Contract No

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Title

Contract for the Distribution of the Durham County News

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

17 March 2022

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 2

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 2

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 2

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Smart Distribution Solutions Limited

c/o Dufton Kellner, Barnston House, Beacon Lane, Heswall

Wirral

CH60 0EE

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKC - North East (England)

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot: £350,000

Lowest offer: £350,000 / Highest offer: £450,000 taken into consideration

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Durham County Council

County Hall

Durham

DH1 5UL

Country

United Kingdom