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Contract

Adult Counselling Service in Knowsley

NHS Cheshire and Merseyside Integrated Care Board

F03: Contract award notice

Notice identifier: 2024/S 000-009860

Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-044d14

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

NHS Cheshire and Merseyside Integrated Care Board

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Region code

UKD61 - Warrington

NHS Organisation Data Service

QYG

Internet address(es)

Main address

<https://www.cheshireandmerseyside.nhs.uk/>

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

I.5) Main activity

Health

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Adult Counselling Service in Knowsley

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 85100000 - Health services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

This is an Intention to Award notice for NHS Cheshire and Merseyside ICB - Knowsley Place who intend to award a further 3 year contract to Listening Ear (Merseyside) for the provision of a counselling service for adults in Knowsley. The new contract will commence on 1 April 2024 and expire on 31 March 2027. The provider holds the current contract.

The decision has been taken to award the contract to this provider due to excellent

performance, proven value for money and demonstrable achievement of the key criteria for Direct Award Process C. The provider plays a crucial part in the mental health care pathway in Knowsley.

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: £138,240

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKD71 - East Merseyside

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: The existing provider is satisfying the original contract and will likely satisfy the proposed contract to a sufficient standard. Value has been assessed using all of the key criteria for PSR Direct Award C, see section VI.3 Additional Information. / Weighting: 99

Price - Weighting: 1

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: No

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Award of a contract without prior publication of a call for competition in the cases listed below

- The procurement falls outside the scope of application of the regulations

Explanation:

This is a Provider Selection Regime (PSR) intention to award notice. The awarding of this contract is subject to the Health Care Services (Provider Selection Regime) Regulations 2023. For the avoidance of doubt, the provisions of the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 do not apply to this award. The publication of this notice marks the start of the standstill period. Representations by providers must be made to ruth.waldron@cheshireandmerseyside.nhs.uk within 8 working days from the publication date of this notice. This contract has not yet formally been awarded; this notice serves as an intention to award under the Provider Selection Regime (2023).

IV.1.8) Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: No

Section V. Award of contract

Title

Adult Counselling Service in Knowsley

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

27 February 2024

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 1

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Listening Ear (Merseyside)

St Nicholas Centre, 70 Church Road

Halewood, Liverpool

L26 6LB

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKD71 - East Merseyside

Companies House

05999650

Internet address

<https://listening-ear.co.uk/>

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £138,240

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

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The decision to award was made at the NHS Cheshire and Merseyside ICB - Knowsley Place Senior Leadership Team on 27 February 2024. No conflicts of interest were identified. The following criteria informed the decision:

Quality and Innovation 20%

Value 20%

Integration, collaboration and service sustainability 20%

Improving access, reducing health inequalities and facilitating choice 20%

Social Value 20%.

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

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