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Contract

Pre & Post-Adoption Parenting Courses & Buddy Scheme for Adopt Thames Valley

Oxfordshire County Council

F03: Contract award notice

Notice identifier: 2025/S 000-011347

Procurement identifier (OCID): ocids-h6vhtk-04f8fd

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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Main address

<http://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk>

Buyer's address

<http://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk>

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

Pre & Post-Adoption Parenting Courses & Buddy Scheme for Adopt Thames Valley

Reference number

DN604706

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 80500000 - Training services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

To provide prospective and approved adopters and special guardians with training and support to give them an understanding of their child's needs and the parenting tools and techniques that they need to have healthy and fulfilling family lives. Three lots.

Adopt Thames Valley (ATV) is a Regional Adoption Agency, established in December 2017, by Bracknell Forest Council, Oxfordshire County Council, Reading Borough Council, Royal Borough of Windsor and Maidenhead, Swindon Council, West Berkshire Council and Wokingham Council to fulfil their functions in relation to the recruitment, assessment and approval of adopters; family finding and matching of children with adoptive families; and the provision of support services to adopters and special guardians.

ATV recognises that adoption and special guardianship is a lifelong journey and is committed to support adopters, special guardians, children and young people, their birth relatives and adults affected by adoption throughout their journey

The objective of this contract for parent training and buddying is to ensure that families can access support according to their needs and before they reach a crisis point

The aim of this contract is to provide families with training and support to give them an understanding of their child's needs and the parenting tools and techniques that they need to have healthy and fulfilling family lives

The scope of this contract is for training for prospective adopters, short courses for families the legal order and an adopter buddy scheme

The categories for this project are;

Category 1 - Training for Families before the Legal Order (Reflection workshops & Parenting Skills Training)

Category 2 - Parenting Skills for Adopters and Special Guardians (Parenting Skills for parents of children 4 -10 years old & Parenting Skills for parents of children 11-18 years old)

Category 3 - Adopter Buddy Scheme

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: £220,672

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 80400000 - Adult and other education services
- 80500000 - Training services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKJ14 - Oxfordshire

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II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Service Delivery / Weighting: 35%

Quality criterion - Name: Partnership Working / Weighting: 14%

Quality criterion - Name: Staffing and Recruitment / Weighting: 10.5%

Quality criterion - Name: Risk Management / Weighting: 10.5%

Price - Weighting: 30%

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.1.3) 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

Notice number: [2022/S 001-604706](#)

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

1 April 2023

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 3

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Parent Training

Oxford

OX4 1SS

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKJ14 - Oxfordshire

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £220,672

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Oxfordshire County Council

Oxford

OX1 1ND

Country

United Kingdom