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#### Contract

# **Independent Fostering Framework Agreement**

Kent County Council

F03: Contract award notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-02e225

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# **Section I: Contracting authority**

# I.1) Name and addresses

Kent County Council

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Maidstone

**ME14 1XQ** 

#### Contact

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#### **Email**

Pavla.Smith@kent.gov.uk

#### **Telephone**

+44 3000416705

#### Country

United Kingdom

#### **NUTS** code

UKJ4 - Kent

# Internet address(es)

Main address

http://www.kent.gov.uk

Buyer's address

http://www.kent.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

Independent Fostering Framework Agreement

Reference number

DN567302

#### II.1.2) Main CPV code

85300000 - Social work and related services

#### II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

#### II.1.4) Short description

Kent County Council and Medway Council have awarded a framework agreement to a number of Independent Fostering Providers who will provide a range of stable, high-quality foster care homes for children 0-18 years old that value, support and encourage them to grow and develop as individuals. In addition to promoting their health and general well-being the Providers need to be committed to ensuring that their foster carers recognise the importance of the educational achievement of Children in Care and work with us in raising their academic attainment.

#### II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

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

Lowest offer: £1 / Highest offer: £68,900,000 taken into consideration

#### II.2) Description

#### II.2.1) Title

Standard fostering placements

Lot No

1

#### II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

• 85300000 - Social work and related services

#### II.2.3) Place of performance

**NUTS** codes

• UKJ - South East (England)

#### II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Awarded a framework agreement with Independent Fostering Providers for the provision of a range of foster care households for children and young people 0-18 years.

#### II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 100

Price - Weighting: 0

#### 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: Yes

### IV.2) Administrative information

## IV.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure

Notice number: 2021/S 000-028793

# IV.2.9) Information about termination of call for competition in the form of a prior information notice

The contracting authority will not award any further contracts based on the above prior information notice

# Section V. Award of contract

#### **Contract No**

SC021033

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

## V.2) Award of contract

# V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

1 April 2022

#### V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 48

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: Yes

# V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Active Care Solutions Limited

Bromsgrove

Country

**United Kingdom** 

**NUTS** code

• UK - United Kingdom

The contractor is an SME

Yes

#### V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

All4U Fostering Ltd

Knockholt

Country

# **United Kingdom NUTS** code • UK - United Kingdom The contractor is an SME Yes V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor Anchor Foster Care Services Limited Chatham Country **United Kingdom NUTS** code • UK - United Kingdom The contractor is an SME Yes V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor Barnardo's Ilford Country **United Kingdom** NUTS code • UK - United Kingdom The contractor is an SME

No

# V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor Be My Family Fostering Agency Ltd Feltham Country **United Kingdom NUTS** code • UK - United Kingdom The contractor is an SME Yes V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor Blue Sky Fostering Limited Harrow Country **United Kingdom NUTS** code

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Brighter Futures Foster Care Ltd

• UK - United Kingdom

The contractor is an SME

Yes

**Bolton** 

Country

**United Kingdom** 

#### **NUTS** code

• UK - United Kingdom

The contractor is an SME

No

# V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

By the Bridge Limited

Potters Bar

Country

**United Kingdom** 

**NUTS** code

• UK - United Kingdom

The contractor is an SME

No

# V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Caldecott Fostering Limited

Smeeth

Country

**United Kingdom** 

**NUTS** code

• UK - United Kingdom

The contractor is an SME

Yes

## V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Capstone Foster Care (South East) Limited
Basingstoke
Country
United Kingdom
NUTS code
UK - United Kingdom
The contractor is an SME
Yes
V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor
CareTech Community Services Limited
Potters Bar
Country
United Kingdom
NUTS code
UK - United Kingdom
The contractor is an SME
No
V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor
Chrysalis Care Ltd
Sevenoaks
Country
United Kingdom
NUTS code

• UK - United Kingdom The contractor is an SME Yes V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor Compass Fostering South Limited Syston Country **United Kingdom NUTS** code • UK - United Kingdom The contractor is an SME Yes V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor Diagrama Children's Services Limited Croydon Country **United Kingdom NUTS** code • UK - United Kingdom The contractor is an SME Yes V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Diverse Care (UK) Ltd

Chatham
Country
United Kingdom
NUTS code
UK - United Kingdom
The contractor is an SME
Yes
V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor
Diversity Foster Care Limited
Bromley
Country
United Kingdom
NUTS code
UK - United Kingdom
The contractor is an SME
Yes
V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor
Ethelbert Specialist Homes Limited
Ramsgate
Country
United Kingdom
NUTS code
UK - United Kingdom

The contractor is an SME
Yes
V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor
Family First Fostering Ltd
London
Country
United Kingdom
NUTS code
UK - United Kingdom
The contractor is an SME
Yes
V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor
Five Rivers Child Care Limited
Salisbury
Salisbury Country
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Country
Country United Kingdom
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Country
United Kingdom
NUTS code
UK - United Kingdom
The contractor is an SME
Yes
V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor
Following Whispers Family Service Consultancy Limited
Ramsgate
Country
United Kingdom
NUTS code
UK - United Kingdom
The contractor is an SME
Yes
V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor
Foster Care Associates Limited
Bromsgrove
Country
United Kingdom
NUTS code

• UK - United Kingdom

The contractor is an SME

N	0
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# V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Foster Care Link Limited

London

Country

**United Kingdom** 

**NUTS** code

• UK - United Kingdom

The contractor is an SME

Yes

# V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

FosterCare UK Ltd

Basingstoke

Country

**United Kingdom** 

NUTS code

• UK - United Kingdom

The contractor is an SME

Yes

# V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Fusion Fostering Limited

Yeovil

Country

# **United Kingdom**

**NUTS** code

• UK - United Kingdom

The contractor is an SME

Yes

# V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Greater London Fostering Limited

London

Country

**United Kingdom** 

**NUTS** code

• UK - United Kingdom

The contractor is an SME

Yes

# V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Fostering Hearts Ltd

Hemel Hempstead

Country

**United Kingdom** 

NUTS code

• UK - United Kingdom

The contractor is an SME

Yes

# V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

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South Coast Fostering Ltd
Portsmouth
Country
United Kingdom
NUTS code
UK - United Kingdom
The contractor is an SME
Yes
V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor
Heath Farm Family Services Limited - t/a Heath Farm
Bolton
Country
United Kingdom
NUTS code
UK - United Kingdom
The contractor is an SME
No
V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor
Homefinding and Fostering Ltd
Maidstone
Country
United Kingdom

#### **NUTS** code

• UK - United Kingdom

The contractor is an SME

Yes

# V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Integrated Services Programme (ISP)

Bromsgrove

Country

**United Kingdom** 

**NUTS** code

• UK - United Kingdom

The contractor is an SME

Yes

# V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Kasper Limited

Whitstable

Country

**United Kingdom** 

**NUTS** code

• UK - United Kingdom

The contractor is an SME

Yes

## V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Mosaic Foster Care Limited
Colchester
Country
United Kingdom
NUTS code
UK - United Kingdom
The contractor is an SME
Yes
V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor
Next Step Fostering Services Limited
Bolton
Country
United Kingdom
NUTS code
UK - United Kingdom
The contractor is an SME
No
V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor
Orange Grove Fostercare Ltd
Bromsgrove
Country
United Kingdom
NUTS code

• UK - United Kingdom The contractor is an SME Yes V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor OwnLife Fostering Ltd Kingston upon Thames

Country

**United Kingdom** 

**NUTS** code

• UK - United Kingdom

The contractor is an SME

Yes

# V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

People Who Foster Ltd

Folkestone

Country

**United Kingdom** 

**NUTS** code

• UK - United Kingdom

The contractor is an SME

Yes

# V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

The Adolescent & Children's Trust

Blyth
Country
United Kingdom
NUTS code
UK - United Kingdom
The contractor is an SME
Yes
V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor
The National Fostering Agency Limited
Bolton
Country
United Kingdom
NUTS code
UK - United Kingdom
The contractor is an SME
No
V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor
UK Fostering Limited
Dartford
Country
United Kingdom
NUTS code
UK - United Kingdom

The contractor is an SME

Yes

# V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Xcel 2000 Fostercare Services Limited

Sittingbourne

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)

Lowest offer: £1 / Highest offer: £68,900,000 taken into consideration

# **Section VI. Complementary information**

# VI.3) Additional information

The estimated value of the service over the 4 years is as follows but no guarantee is given as to the actual value of the contract:

Kent County Council Estimated 4 year spend = £44.4million

Medway Council Estimated 4 year spend = £24.5million

Following submission of the Standard Selection Questionnaire (SSQ) the approach to evaluation was based on a 100% overall weighted Quality section followed by a ranking of the Standard prices which were submitted.

## VI.4) Procedures for review

#### VI.4.1) Review body

Kent County Council

Sessions House, County Road

Maidstone

**ME14 1XQ** 

Email

CICCommissioning@kent.gov.uk

Country

**United Kingdom**