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Contract

## **Special Education Needs and Disability Information Advice and Support Service (SENDIASS)**

Warwickshire County Council

NHS Coventry and Warwickshire Integrated Care Board (ICB)

F21: Social and other specific services – public contracts

Contract award notice

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

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

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WARWICK

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**Country**

United Kingdom

**Region code**

UKG13 - Warwickshire

**Justification for not providing organisation identifier**

Not on any register

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

[www.warwickshire.gov.uk](http://www.warwickshire.gov.uk)

Buyer's address

[www.warwickshire.gov.uk/procurement](http://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/procurement)

**I.1) Name and addresses**

NHS Coventry and Warwickshire Integrated Care Board (ICB)

Westgate House Market Street

Warwick

CV34 4DE

**Email**

[marie.west5@nhs.net](mailto:marie.west5@nhs.net)

**Country**

United Kingdom

**Region code**

UKG13 - Warwickshire

**Justification for not providing organisation identifier**

Not on any register

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

[www.happyhealthylives.uk/integrated-care-board/](http://www.happyhealthylives.uk/integrated-care-board/)

**I.2) Information about joint procurement**

The contract involves joint procurement

**I.4) Type of the contracting authority**

Regional or local authority

**I.5) Main activity**

General public services

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**Section II: Object**

**II.1) Scope of the procurement**

**II.1.1) Title**

Special Education Needs and Disability Information Advice and Support Service (SENDIASS)

Reference number

WCC - 15041

**II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 85000000 - Health and social work services

**II.1.3) Type of contract**

Services

**II.1.4) Short description**

Warwickshire County Council (WCC), with Coventry & Warwickshire Integrated Care Board (CWICB), is re-tendering the Warwickshire Special Education Needs and Disability Information, Advice and Support Service (SENDIASS).

SENDIASS is a service for children and young people with special education needs and/or disabilities, and their parents or carers. It provides information, advice and support in relation to education, health and care.

#### **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: £915,000

### **II.2) Description**

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

- 85000000 - Health and social work services

#### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UKG13 - Warwickshire

Main site or place of performance

Generally within the County Council boundaries of Warwickshire County Council and Coventry City Council but also may be outside the boundaries

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

The service will provide free, accessible, accurate, confidential, timely and impartial information, advice and support on matters relating to education, health and social care to Children and young people up to the age of 25 years with special educational needs and/or disabilities (SEND); their parents/carers and professionals involved in the provision of educational services for children and young people with SEND.

Commissioners expect the service to:

- deliver all requirements as set out in this specification

- meet the National Minimum Standards, developed through the Information, Advice & Support Services (IASS) Network
- be proactive to national, regional and local guidance, policy, strategies and trends; and be guided by evidenced best practice
- work alongside the commissioners and other stakeholders including parents'

representatives to ensure the service remains responsive to local needs

Information, advice & support will be provided (and recorded) at four intervention levels as defined through the National Information Advice & Support Services Network:

- Level One: One-off information and advice through phone or email
- Level Two: More detailed and/or personalised support (e.g., to understand or complete documentation or procedures; to communicate with agencies or to access services)
- Level Three: Detailed & continuing assistance with statutory processes (such as Education

Health and Care Plan needs assessment; mediation and/or disagreement resolution; exclusion appeals)

- Level Four: Detailed and continuing assistance and guidance through legal processes including Tribunals; complaints to Ombudsman; Judicial Review or Child Protection disputes

#### **II.2.14) Additional information**

The contract term will be for 3 years however the Council reserves the right to extend the contract by further periods not exceeding 24 months (24 being the maximum available extension period) at the discretion of the Council based on the contract performance of the

successful applicant

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## **Section IV. Procedure**

### **IV.1) Description**

#### **IV.1.1) Form of procedure**

Open procedure

#### **IV.1.11) Main features of the award procedure**

Selection Stage - 60%

Stage 1 - Price Evaluation (Cost) Bids will be reviewed and those that agree to provide the service within the given budget will proceed to Stage 2.

Stage 2 - Economic Viability Bids will be reviewed to check that the offered service appears achievable within the budget amount.

Only applicants whose bids appear economically viable will proceed to Stage 3.

Stage 3 - Quality (Non-Cost) Quality responses will be scored out of 100%. Applicants must achieve a Quality Score of 60% or higher. The council reserves the right not to award to any provider who scores less than 60%.

Award The applicant with the highest Quality Score will be awarded the contract.

### **IV.2) Administrative information**

#### **IV.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure**

Notice number: [2023/S 000-005248](#)

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## **Section V. Award of contract**

### **Contract No**

WCC - 15041

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

### **V.2) Award of contract**

#### **V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract**

24 April 2023

**V.2.2) Information about tenders**

Number of tenders received: 3

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 3

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 3

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

Barnardo Services Limited

Barnardo House, Tanners Lane,

Barkingside, Ilford, Essex

IG6 1QG

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKK - South West (England)

Justification for not providing organisation identifier

Not on any register

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £915,000

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## Section VI. Complementary information

### VI.3) Additional information

During the course of the contract period the range and scope of these services may be subject to modification and variation to meet the changing needs and requirements of the Council and partners, potential changes in legislation and the changing demands placed on the Council by its customers. These changes may include (but are not limited to): -

- Increases or decreases in funding - this will usually be due to reductions or additions in budget allocations as part of the Council and partners' budget setting processes, It may also

be as a consequence of additional funding streams which were unknown at the time of awarding the contract but which are provided to increase the volume of services delivered.

- Changes in legislation that may for example require the inclusion of new customer groups
- The identification of additional service recipients, not originally captured by the scope of the contract
- Opportunities offered by emerging/ new technologies
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