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Contract

Education Inclusion Speech and Language Therapy Services

Bath and North East Somerset Council

F03: Contract award notice

Notice identifier: 2025/S 000-012858

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

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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Region code

UKK1 - Gloucestershire, Wiltshire and Bristol/Bath area

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Main address

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

Buyer's address

<http://www.bathnes.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

Education Inclusion Speech and Language Therapy Services

Reference number

DN770102

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 85000000 - Health and social work services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

The award has been made following direct award process A.

Contract title: Education Inclusion Speech and Language Therapy Services

The SALT provision was initially a part of a wider contract delivered by HCRG Care Services Ltd awarded by B&NES Council and BSW ICB. The contract expired on 31 March 2025 and the Council is now assessing the current service specification to ensure the future service provision is suitable to be procured as a single provision. It is essential to ensure service continuity and the current provider is the only provider in the market that can deliver this service in the timeframe.

The primary aim of the Education Inclusion Speech and Language Therapy Service is to upskill education professionals to provide early intervention and preventative support so that all settings are able to deliver the inclusion agenda.

In order to achieve this aim, the service will need to raise the levels of awareness and skills of our education colleagues in recognising and supporting speech, language and communication needs and families/carers will need to be confident that their children will have their needs met in their local setting.

The service will provide information, training, advice and support to educational settings, families and other professionals.

It will also provide some face to face, intervention at the targeted and specialist levels with individual children/young people and their families and will be committed to joint working with other agencies, such as Health and the SEND & AP Advice Service, to deliver the right support at the right time.

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: £14,505

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 85000000 - Health and social work services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKK1 - Gloucestershire, Wiltshire and Bristol/Bath area

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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Contract awarded for period 1 – 30 April 2025. Not further extensions available.

Contract value: £14,505.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Enter criterion as 'No realistic alternative provider' / 'Patient Choice' / Weighting: 100

Cost criterion - Name: cost / 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

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 process is in line with the Provider Selection Regime Direct Award A.

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

Contract No

DN770102

Lot No

1

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

31 March 2025

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

HCRG Care Services Ltd

Cheshire

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKK1 - Gloucestershire, Wiltshire and Bristol/Bath area

The contractor is an SME

No

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £14,505

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

This is a Provider Selection Regime (PSR) confirmation of contract award notice. This contract has been awarded under 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.

Award decision was made by Olwyn Donnelly Head of Education Commissioning.

No conflict of interest was declared.

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

NHSE panel

London

Country

United Kingdom