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Contract

Gloucestershire Winter Covid Grant Scheme 2020/21

Gloucestershire County Council

F03: Contract award notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-02ba06

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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Contact

Strategic Procurement

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Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

UKK13 - Gloucestershire

Internet address(es)

Main address

<https://www.gloucestershire.gov.uk>

Buyer's address

<https://www.gloucestershire.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

Gloucestershire Winter Covid Grant Scheme 2020/21

Reference number

DN547399

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 75340000 - Child allowances

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

The supply of food, energy, water bills and other essentials under the Government Winter COVID fund.

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: £1,100,000

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 75310000 - Benefit services
- 75330000 - Family allowances

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKK13 - Gloucestershire

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The supply of food, energy, water bills and other essentials for the COVID Winter Grant Scheme

II.2.5) Award criteria

Price

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: Yes

Description of options

4 months plus one month optional extension

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

- Extreme urgency brought about by events unforeseeable for the contracting authority

Explanation:

The council has awarded the contract in reliance on the grounds for making a direct contract award provided under Regulation 32(2)(c) of the Public Contract Regulations 2015 the unforeseeability of the second COVID lockdown announced on 31st October 2020 led to a decision by Government to require Councils to distribute the COVID Winter Grant fund with effect from 1st December 2020. Notification of the said decision was not received by the Council until 8th November 2020, hence the council did not have sufficient time to undertake a procurement exercise and then mobilise and implement an alternative solution in the time available. Moreover, Auriga Ltd had operated the Council's Welfare Contract and assisted with the distribution of the Summer Emergency Assistance Grant for the council, in which case it already had in place the necessary resources and systems to provide the required services at short notice.

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

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Title

Gloucestershire COVID Winter Grant Scheme – 2020/21

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

1 December 2020

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 1

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 1

Number of tenders received from tenderers from other EU Member States: 0

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 0

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 1

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Auriga Services Ltd

Sutton Coldfield

B72 1TJ

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKG - West Midlands (England)

Internet address

<https://www.aurigaservices.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: £1,100,000

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Gloucestershire County Council

Shire Hall

Gloucester

GL1 2TP

Country

United Kingdom