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Contract

## **Gloucestershire Winter Covid Grant Scheme 2020/21**

Gloucestershire County Council

F03: Contract award notice

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

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

Gloucestershire County Council

Shire Hall

Gloucester

GL1 2TG

#### **Contact**

Strategic Procurement

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[commercialservicescentralmailbox@gloucestershire.gov.uk](mailto:commercialservicescentralmailbox@gloucestershire.gov.uk)

#### **Telephone**

+44 1452328632

#### **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

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## **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

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## **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

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

### **Contract No**

1

### **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

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## **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