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Contract

NAC/5057 Housing Advice, Advocacy and Education Service

North Ayrshire Council

F03: Contract award notice

Notice identifier: 2021/S 000-013237

Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-028f7a

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

North Ayrshire Council

Cunninghame House, Friars Croft

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Email

procurement@north-ayrshire.gov.uk

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

UKM93 - East Ayrshire and North Ayrshire mainland

Internet address(es)

Main address

http://www.north-ayrshire.gov.uk

Buyer's address

http://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA00337

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

NAC/5057 Housing Advice, Advocacy and Education Service

II.1.2) Main CPV code

• 98000000 - Other community, social and personal services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

North Ayrshire Council (the Council) provides advice and information to prevent homelessness and to assist homeless households to understand their rights, by providing an accredited in-house advice service within the Housing Services Homeless Advice Team (HAT). This free advice service is available to anyone over the age of 16 and is tailored to meet to individual needs and circumstances.

Delivery of an independent advice, advocacy and information service across North Ayrshire will enhance the existing in-house provision and ensure the Council meets its statutory obligations. There is likely to be an increasing need for advocacy as indicated by an aging population and levels of deprivation. As part of the latest Homelessness and Rough Sleeping Action Group (HARSAG) recommendations, during the current coronavirus pandemic the service should ensure communication is accessible to everyone to obtain advocacy.

The Council requires to contract a Service which can provide independent advice, advocacy and information provision for households at risk of homelessness. The Service Provider must also advocate on behalf of homeless people throughout the homelessness process, assisting them to enforce their statutory rights. As homelessness is not only a housing issue, we are looking for the Service Provider to adopt a pro-active approach to preventing homelessness. The Council therefore requires the Provider of this Service to develop and deliver educational packages for the 9 secondary schools within North Ayrshire in addition to youth groups and colleges, to support the commitment of the Council to prevent youth homelessness and raise the awareness of the reality of homelessness and to address the increase in homeless presentations from young people to prevent future homelessness from this group.

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: £227,253

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

UKM93 - East Ayrshire and North Ayrshire mainland

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 40

Price - Weighting: 60

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.1.8) 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: <u>2021/S 000-005587</u>

Section V. Award of contract

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

11 June 2021

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

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The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £227,253

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

Lots are not being used for this tender for the reason(s) stated below:

Nature of the contract not suitable for lots.

(SC Ref:656910)

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Kilmarnock Sheriff Court

Sheriff Court House, St Marnock Street

Kilmarnock

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