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Contract

## **Alternative Education Provision for children who, because of exclusion, illness or other reasons, would not otherwise receive suitable education**

Buckinghamshire Council

F03: Contract award notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-02931d

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

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

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United Kingdom

**NUTS code**

UKJ13 - Buckinghamshire CC

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

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

Buyer's address

<https://www.buckinghamshire.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**

Alternative Education Provision for children who, because of exclusion, illness or other reasons, would not otherwise receive suitable education

Reference number

DN523023

**II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 80000000 - Education and training services

**II.1.3) Type of contract**

## Services

### **II.1.4) Short description**

The Council has a duty to secure Alternative Education Provision (AEP) which is defined as

education arranged by local authorities for pupils who, because of exclusion, illness or other

reasons, would not otherwise receive suitable education. The purpose of the service will be

to support the Council with this duty by providing a full time AEP service for this cohort.

This service specification sets out the scope and requirements for these services in three lots:

- Lot 1 – Full Time onsite Alternative Education Provision to permanently excluded and challenging young people, predominantly at Key Stage 4;
- Lot 2 – Full time virtual/online education for children in Key Stages, 3, 4 and 5;
- Lot 3 – Short Term Provision for children with an EHCP without a permanent school place.

The contract for all Lots will commence on 1 September 2021.

The indicative budget for Lot 1 is estimated to be around 480,000 GBP per annum, Lot 2 it is

likely to be between 50 000 and 100,00 GBP per annum and Lot 3 is likely to be between 80

000 and 130,000 GBP per annum. This is only an estimate and the actual spend maybe higher or lower than these figures.

The Council is of the opinion that TUPE will apply to Lot 1 only.

This Contract award notice is for Lot 1 only. Lot 2 and 3 have not been awarded.

Following evaluation of all the tenders for Lot 2 and Lot 3 we have taken the decision not to award any contracts. This is in accordance with Regulation 55 of the Public Contract (s) Regulations 2015. The decision was taken for reasons of affordability. Unfortunately, the tender submissions that the Council received were all in excess of the Council's budget for the specified service.

#### **II.1.6) Information about lots**

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

#### **II.1.7) Total value of the procurement (excluding VAT)**

Value excluding VAT: £1,440,000

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

#### **II.2.1) Title**

Onsite provision for students with complex needs in KS4

Lot No

1

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

- 80000000 - Education and training services

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

NUTS codes

- UKJ13 - Buckinghamshire CC

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

Lot 1 - This will include the provision of full time onsite Alternative Education Provision to permanently excluded and challenging young people, predominantly at Key Stage 4, and those with Special Educational Needs (SEND). Staff will be fully experienced in delivering education to this cohort with established links to partner agencies enabling them to provide

a holistic approach to education. Full time is defined as a minimum of 18 hours of

supervised

education per week delivered across five days. Each day must be made up of two sessions

divided by a break and will include the provision of two nutritious meals a day to each full time pupil. Transportation will also be required for pupils who have been referred to receive

services.

The indicative budget for Lot 1 is estimated to be around 480,000 GBP per annum; this is only an estimate and the actual spend maybe higher or lower than this figure.

Potential bidders for this Lot must be registered with the UK government Department for Education (DfE) as a registered maintained or Independent School.

#### **II.2.5) Award criteria**

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 60

Price - Weighting: 40

#### **II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: Yes

Description of options

The contract will initially be for a three year period. The contract dates are 1st September 2021 to 31st August 2024 (Two optional extensions 1st September 2024 to 31st August 2026 and 1st September 2026 to 31st September 2027).

#### **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**

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: [2021/S 000-002998](#)

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

### **Contract No**

DN523023

### **Lot No**

1

### **Title**

Onsite provision for students with complex needs in KS4

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

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

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

15 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**

Progress Schools Limited

Switch House Suite B2, First Floor, Northern Perimeter Road

Bootle

L30 7PT

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKD73 - Sefton

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £1,440,000

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.4) Procedures for review**

#### **VI.4.1) Review body**

High Courts of Justice

The Royal Court of Justice, The Strand

London

WC2A 2LL

Country

United Kingdom