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## **Visual Arts Offer**

East Suffolk District Council

F15: Voluntary ex ante transparency notice

Notice identifier: 2021/S 000-013838

Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-02bd81

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### **Section I: Contracting authority/entity**

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

East Suffolk District Council

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Lowestoft

NR330EQ

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#### **Country**

United Kingdom

**NUTS code**

UKH - East of England

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<http://eastsuffolk.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**

Visual Arts Offer

Reference number

2069-EXE-DA

**II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 92312250 - Services provided by individual artists

**II.1.3) Type of contract**

Services

**II.1.4) Short description**

At a national level, the creative sector contributes £111.7bn GVA to the UK economy. The Creative Industries were growing at more than 5x the rate of the UK economy pre-

Covid-19.

At a regional level, the creative sector is worth £790m and at a local level Suffolk has a significant creative sector.

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East Suffolk Council is seeking to work in partnership with an artist to build the capacity of the creative sector

The project will:

- Create a landmark sculpture within the district engaging the community to create art locally.
- To provide work space for local creatives to increase the capacity of the sector;

#### **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: £600,000

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

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

NUTS codes

- UKH14 - Suffolk

Main site or place of performance

Lowestoft

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

Options: No

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## **Section IV. Procedure**

### **IV.1) Description**

#### **IV.1.1) Type of procedure**

Negotiated without a prior call for competition

- The works, supplies or services can be provided only by a particular economic operator for the following reason:
  - procurement aiming at the creation or acquisition of a unique work of art or artistic performance

Explanation:

Prior Information Notice - 2021/S 000-009720 published on 05/05/2021 requested expressions of interest from suitable suppliers, this was the only interest shown.

#### **IV.1.8) Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)**

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

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

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

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

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

18 June 2021

#### **V.2.2) Information about tenders**

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

#### **V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor/concessionaire**

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Kreston 8th Floor South, Reading Bridge House, George Street

Reading

RG1 8LS

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKJ1 - Berkshire, Buckinghamshire and Oxfordshire

The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot/concession: £600,000

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

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

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

East Suffolk Council

Lowestoft

NR33 0EQ

Country

United Kingdom