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Contract

## **Early Learning, Childcare and Brokerage Services**

Dumfries and Galloway Council

F03: Contract award notice

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

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

Dumfries and Galloway Council

Procurement Team, Carruthers House

Dumfries

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#### **Contact**

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#### **Telephone**

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#### **Country**

United Kingdom

**NUTS code**

UKM92 - Dumfries & Galloway

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<http://www.dumgal.gov.uk>

Buyer's address

[https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search\\_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA00219](https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA00219)

**I.2) Information about joint procurement**

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

**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**

Early Learning, Childcare and Brokerage Services

#### **II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 85312110 - Child daycare services

#### **II.1.3) Type of contract**

Services

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

The Council has a statutory duty to make pre-school education available for eligible children under the Standards in Scotland's Schools Act 2000. The Children and Young People (Scotland) Act 2014 and Statutory Guidance set out the increased entitlement to 1140 hours for eligible children which became a statutory duty from August 2021.

The Funding Follows the Child approach places choice in parents' and carers' hands enabling them to access their child's funded entitlement with a provider that best suits their needs.

All providers who apply and meet the expected standard, legislation and the Council's procedural requirements as set out in the Invitation to Tender and accept the rates and contract terms set out by the Council shall be accepted to deliver funded provision through the Flexible Framework enabling them to register children in 2023 to commence Brokerage placements from Q2 2023 and funded Early Learning and Childcare placements from August 2023.

This is the first re-opening of the framework that was awarded in February 2023

#### **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: £48,686,143

## **II.2) Description**

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

ELC - Childminders

Lot No

2

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

- 85312110 - Child daycare services
- 80100000 - Primary education services
- 80110000 - Pre-school education services

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

NUTS codes

- UKM92 - Dumfries & Galloway

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

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

Quality criterion - Name: meeting minimum standards / Weighting: 100

Price - Weighting: 0

### **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

## **II.2) Description**

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

Lot 3- Childcare Brokerage

Lot No

3

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

- 85312110 - Child daycare services
- 80100000 - Primary education services
- 80110000 - Pre-school education services

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

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The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

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

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

ELC - Private and Third Sector Settings (excluding Childminders)

Lot No

1

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

- 85312110 - Child daycare services
- 80110000 - Pre-school education services
- 80100000 - Primary education services

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NUTS codes

- UKM92 - Dumfries & Galloway

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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: [2023/S 000-006054](#)



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

### **Lot No**

1

### **Title**

ELC - Private and Third Sector Settings (excluding Childminders)

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

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

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

10 May 2023

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

Number of tenders received: 3

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: 3

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: Yes

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

Penpont, Keir and Tynron Preschool

Penpont Primary School, School Lane

Dumfries

DG3 4BH

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKM92 - Dumfries & Galloway

The contractor is an SME

Yes

**V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor**

Wee Barn Owls Nursery

76 burntscarthgreen, dg11ul

Dumfries

DG11UL

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKM92 - Dumfries & Galloway

The contractor is an SME

No

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

Lowest offer: £1 / Highest offer: £2 taken into consideration

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

### **Lot No**

2

### **Title**

ELC - Childminders

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

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

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

10 May 2023

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

Number of tenders received: 3

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: 3

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

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

Amanda's Childminding

3 , St ninians Grove

Whithorn

Dg8 8pt

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKM92 - Dumfries & Galloway

The contractor is an SME

No

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

Lowest offer: £1 / Highest offer: £2 taken into consideration

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Lot 3- Childcare Brokerage

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.3) Additional information**

(SC Ref:732323)

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

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

Dumfries Sheriff Court

Buccleuch Street

Dumfries

Country

United Kingdom