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Contract

## **ESR Transformation Programme Financial Advisors**

NHS Business Services Authority

F03: Contract award notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-045668

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

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

NHS Business Services Authority

Stella House, Goldcrest Way, Newburn Riverside

Newcastle upon Tyne

NE15 8NY

#### **Email**

[commercialserviceteam@nhsbsa.nhs.uk](mailto:commercialserviceteam@nhsbsa.nhs.uk)

#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **Region code**

UKC22 - Tyneside

#### **Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://www.nhsbsa.nhs.uk/>

Buyer's address

<https://www.nhsbsa.nhs.uk/>

#### **I.4) Type of the contracting authority**

Body governed by public law

#### **I.5) Main activity**

Health

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### **Section II: Object**

#### **II.1) Scope of the procurement**

##### **II.1.1) Title**

ESR Transformation Programme Financial Advisors

Reference number

23\_02\_01

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

- 79410000 - Business and management consultancy services

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

Services

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

Financial Advisors to support the Electronic Staff Record (ESR) Transformation Programme procurement and associated financial activity.

##### **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: £1,550,000

## **II.2) Description**

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

NUTS codes

- UKC - North East (England)

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

The provider will work with, and as part of, the Transformation Programme Team established by the NHSBSA charged with the delivery of the NHS Electronic Staff Record (ESR) Transformation Programme procurement.

The overarching requirement and objectives are to provide financial assurance and advice to ensure that there are compliant and appropriate services contracts for the ESR procurement and the future transformed service. Key outputs are:

- Advise and support the ESR Transformation Programme Team in the development and build of financial model(s) capable of supporting the ESR service, including legacy and transformation.
- Provide advice and quality assurance of content in the financially related contract documents and schedules.
- Advise and support all stages of the procurement process including but not limited to:
  - Pre-procurement planning and documentation development;
  - Evaluation of bidder's submissions including pricing models;
  - Negotiation stages up to Contract Award.
- Advise and assurance against Final Business Case.

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

Price

### **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

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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:

Due to a commercial issue that arose at the Selection Questionnaire stage of the ESR Transformation Programme procurement (which concluded at the end of January 2023) and following legal advice, this contract will be direct award using the urgency provision of the Public Contract Regulation 2015. Regulation 32 allows for award without prior publication in where “for reasons of extreme urgency brought about by events unforeseeable by the contracting authority, the time limits for the open or restricted procedures or competitive procedures with negotiation cannot be complied with”.

#### **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**

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

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

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

13 February 2023

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

Number of tenders received: 1

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

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

Grant Thornton UK LLP

30 Finsbury Square

London

EC2A 1AG

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKI4 - Inner London – East

National registration number

OC307742

Internet address

<http://www.grantthornton.co.uk>

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot: £1,550,000

Total value of the contract/lot: £1,550,000

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

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

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

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