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Contract

## **SC240063 -Parent Infant Mental Health Service (PIMHS)**

Kent County Council

F03: Contract award notice

Notice identifier: 2026/S 000-014062

Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-05a73a

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

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

Kent County Council

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#### **Country**

United Kingdom

**Region code**

UKJ4 - Kent

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://www.kentbusinessportal.org.uk/>

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

Regional or local authority

**I.5) Main activity**

Health

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**Section II: Object**

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

**II.1.1) Title**

SC240063 -Parent Infant Mental Health Service (PIMHS)

Reference number

SC240063

**II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 85323000 - Community health services

**II.1.3) Type of contract**

Services

**II.1.4) Short description**

This is a Provider Selection Regime (PSR) intention to award notice. The awarding of this contract is subject to the Health Care Services (Provider Selection Regime) Regulations

2023. For the avoidance of doubt, the provisions of the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 do not apply to this award. The standstill period begins on the day after the publication of this notice. Representations by providers must be made to the relevant authority by 11.59pm 25 February 2026. This contract has not yet formally been awarded; this notice serves as an intention to award a contract under the competitive process of the PSR.

Parent infant relationships are prerequisite to an infant's development in the first 1001 days from conception and a time of rapid brain development. Our experiences in this period lay the foundations for a wide range of future health outcomes. Having warm, consistent, and loving care, helps promote good social and emotional development.

#### **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: £2,160,529.46

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

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

- 85323000 - Community health services

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

NUTS codes

- UKJ4 - Kent

Main site or place of performance

Kent

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

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### **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

### **II.2.14) Additional information**

5/9/2026 – 31/08/2028

There is the potential for a contract extension of 2 x 1 year(s) (24 months), depending on both the success in achieving the required outcomes and the availability of further funding.

The Providers were asked quality questions against the 5 key criteria, with a scoring criteria between A-F. The Key Criteria were then assessed across the questions below: 1. Please detail how your organisation will manage and deliver the specialist Parent Infant Mental Health (PIMH) team and how this team will deliver the Service as described in the Specification. Relates to key criteria value, integration collaboration, improving access, reducing health inequalities, 2. Please detail how someone would experience a PIMH Service from your organisation? 3. Please describe how you will ensure the new service will be mobilised quickly and effectively following contract award? 4. How will your organisation manage triage and assessment? 5. Please describe how you will ensure a high-quality service is delivered that is able to meet the targets outlined? 6. Developing the skills of the workforce in Kent in Parent Infant Relationships will be a key element of this service offer. Detail the workforce training that will be designed and delivered. 7. Please detail how your organisation will manage demand for, triage, assessment and for PIMH Interventions. 8. Please describe how social value will be achieved through the life of this contract The Real Group were the provider that scored the lowest value per other key criteria score with a score of 81.5% and were therefore chosen as the preferred provider.

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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: No

### **IV.2) Administrative information**

#### **IV.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure**

Notice number: [2025/S 000-061874](#)

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

### **Contract No**

SC240063

### **Title**

Parent Infant Mental Health Service

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

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

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

2 February 2026

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

Number of tenders received: 2

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 2

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: 2

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

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

Real Group Ltd

4 Victoria Parade, New Capital Quay

Greenwich

SE10 9FR

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKJ4 - Kent

National registration number

06556128

The contractor is an SME

No

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £2,160,529.46

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

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

Name of Award Decision Maker(s) •Public Health Specialist – Abenaa Gyamfuah-Assibey  
•Public Health Consultant – Wendy Jeffreys •Commissioner - Tracy Weight •Alison  
Newman – Senior Commercial and Procurement Officer (Moderator) No declared conflicts  
of interest Standstill period; 16/2/2026 and concludes 25/2/2026.

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

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

Kent County Council

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