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Contract

## **Community support services for children and young people and their families who have social communication difficulties in St Helens**

NHS Cheshire and Merseyside Integrated Care Board

F03: Contract award notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-04580d

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

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

NHS Cheshire and Merseyside Integrated Care Board

1 Lakeside 920, Centre Park Square

Warrington

WA11QY

#### **Contact**

Mervyn Kennedy

#### **Email**

[mervyn.kennedy@cheshireandmerseyside.nhs.uk](mailto:mervyn.kennedy@cheshireandmerseyside.nhs.uk)

#### **Country**

United Kingdom

**Region code**

UKD61 - Warrington

**NHS Organisation Data Service**

QYG

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://www.cheshireandmerseyside.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**

Community support services for children and young people and their families who have social communication difficulties in St Helens

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

- 85100000 - Health services

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

Services

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

This service is a pivotal service to St Helens children and young people and their families who have social communication difficulties i.e. autism.

The service provides open access support regardless of diagnosis, to both structured and ad hoc support which includes access to information, advice, guidance, social opportunities and learning through telephone contact, community network groups, structured programmes and workshops for parent/carers and young people, family activity days and training for professionals.

The service works very closely with the neurodevelopmental pathway co-ordinators so that families going through assessment can be proactively offered a call of support and potential access to their wider offer.

#### **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: £366,500

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

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

NUTS codes

- UKD71 - East Merseyside

Main site or place of performance

The service will be available across the St Helens Place geographical area.

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

NHS Cheshire & Merseyside ICB - St Helens Place intend to award a 3-year contract with the option to extend for 2 years to the current provider under Direct Award Process C to provide community social communication support services in St Helens. The contract will commence on 1st April 2024 and will expire 31st March 2027 with an option to extend for 2 years and an annual contract value of £73,300 (subject to any annual NHS national uplift).

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

Quality criterion - Name: The existing provider is satisfying the original contract and will likely satisfy the proposed contract to a sufficient standard. / Weighting: 99

Price - Weighting: 1

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

Options: Yes

Description of options

Option for a 2 year extension to the initial 3 year contract duration.

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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

- The procurement falls outside the scope of application of the regulations

Explanation:

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 publication of this notice marks the start of the standstill period. Representations by providers must be made to the relevant authority within 8 working days. This contract has not yet formally been awarded; this notice serves as an intention to award under the PSR.

#### 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

### Title

St Helens - Community support services for children and young people and their families who have social communication difficulties

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

### V.2) Award of contract

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

15 February 2024

#### 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**

ADDvanced Solutions Community Network CIC

Business First Centre, 23 Goodlass Road

Liverpool

L24 9HJ

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKD7 - Merseyside

Charity Commission (England and Wales)

08251733

Internet address

<https://www.addvancedsolutions.co.uk/>

The contractor is an SME

No

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

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot: £366,500

Total value of the contract/lot: £366,500

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## Section VI. Complementary information

### VI.3) Additional information

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On 15th February 2024 St Helens Place Leadership Team approved this decision and no conflicts of interested were declared.

The following criteria informed the decision:

Social Value: 10%

Improving access, reducing health inequalities, and facilitating choice: 22.5%

Value: 22.5%

Integration, collaboration and service sustainability: 22.5%

Quality and innovation: 22.5%

Representations by providers must be made to [mervyn.kennedy@cheshireandmerseyside.nhs.uk](mailto:mervyn.kennedy@cheshireandmerseyside.nhs.uk) within 8working days from the publication date of this notice. This contract has not yet formally been awarded; this notice serves as an intention to award under the Provider Selection Regime (2023).

### VI.4) Procedures for review

#### VI.4.1) Review body

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Warrington

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