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Contract

## **Provision of Early Childhood Services through Children's Centres in the Borough of Bedford**

Bedford Borough Council

F03: Contract award notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocids-h6vhtk-02a791

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

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

Bedford Borough Council

Cauldwell St, Bedford MK42 9AP

Bedford

#### **Email**

[commercial.hub@bedford.gov.uk](mailto:commercial.hub@bedford.gov.uk)

#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **NUTS code**

UKH24 - Bedford

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

Main address

[www.bedford.gov.uk](http://www.bedford.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**

Provision of Early Childhood Services through Children's Centres in the Borough of Bedford

Reference number

BBC CH 01268

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

- 85320000 - Social services

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

Services

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

Bedford Borough Council ('the Council') is wishing to contract for the management of early childhood services delivered through its network of Children's Centres. The Contractor will operate in line with the Ofsted framework April 2013 and local Bedford Borough strategies. The policy basis for the delivery of provision will be the National Core Purpose 2017 for Children's Centres which enables a flexible model of provision that is focused on tackling a range of local inequalities . This contract will be for an initial 5 year period, with an option to extend of 24 months.

#### **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: £7,140,000

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

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

- 85320000 - Social services

**II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UKH24 - Bedford

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

Bedford Borough Council ('the Council') is wishing to contract for the management of early childhood services delivered through its network of Children's Centres. Children's Centre services form a key element of the Council's offer of early help and preventative services and contribute to several strategic priorities for the Borough. Integrated services enable access to a range of support from pre-birth to five years. And delivering these services locally near to where people live will support the early identification of need and provides support for children and families as soon as a concern starts to emerge. Working together with key partners will ensure that early childhood services improve outcomes for our most vulnerable children and families, build family resilience and support families to sustain progress. The Contractor will operate in line with the Ofsted framework April 2013 and local Bedford Borough strategies. The policy basis for the delivery of provision will be the National Core Purpose 2017 for Children's Centres which enables a flexible model of provision that is focused on tackling a range of local inequalities .

**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: Yes

Identification of the project

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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: [2021/S 000-008224](#)

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

### **Contract No**

BBC CH 01268

### **Title**

Provision of Early Childhood Services through Children's Centres in the Borough of Bedford

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

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

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

28 June 2021

#### **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**

Early Childhood Partnership

Goldington Family Centre 28-30 Meadway Bedford MK41 9HU

Bedford

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKH24 - Bedford

National registration number

10197205

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: £7,140,000

Total value of the contract/lot: £6,954,484.48

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

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

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

Care Quality Commission

London

Country

United Kingdom