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Contract

Berkshire West and South Oxfordshire Palliative and End of Life Care

NHS Buckinghamshire, Oxfordshire and Berkshire West ICB

F20: Modification notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocids-h6vhtk-04cc49

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Section I: Contracting authority/entity

I.1) Name and addresses

NHS Buckinghamshire, Oxfordshire and Berkshire West ICB

Oxford

OX4 2PG

Email

scwcsu.cbprocurement@nhs.net

Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UKJ1 - Berkshire, Buckinghamshire and Oxfordshire

Justification for not providing organisation identifier

Not on any register

Internet address(es)

Main address

<https://www.bucksoxonberksw.icb.nhs.uk>

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Berkshire West and South Oxfordshire Palliative and End of Life Care

Reference number

C326346 / WA17434

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 85323000 - Community health services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKJ1 - Berkshire, Buckinghamshire and Oxfordshire

II.2.4) Description of the procurement at the time of conclusion of the contract:

This procurement followed a Provider Selection Regime (PSR) competitive process for Berkshire West and South Oxfordshire Palliative and End of Life Care to NHS Buckinghamshire Oxfordshire and Berkshire West ICB (The Commissioner).

The contract period is 1st January 2026 to 31st December 2032 for 7 years (option to extend for 3 years (to 31st December 2035)).

The original total contract value for this procurement was £34,997,182 including VAT for the life of the contract (including extensions).

The award criteria and weightings for this procurement were:

Quality and Innovation: 30%

Value: 20%

Integration, Collaboration and Service Sustainability: 21%

Improving access, reducing health inequalities and facilitating choice: 19%

Social Value: 10%

The highest scoring provider was Sue Ryder.

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 procurement was carried out by NHS South, Central and West Commissioning Support Unit (SCW) on behalf of the Commissioners.

II.2.7) Duration of the contract, framework agreement, dynamic purchasing system or concession

Duration in months

84

In the case of framework agreements, provide justification for any duration exceeding 4 years

Option to extend for a further 3 years to 31 December 2035

Section IV. Procedure

IV.2) Administrative information

IV.2.1) Contract award notice concerning this contract

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Section V. Award of contract/concession

Contract No

C326346 / WA17434

V.2) Award of contract/concession

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract/concession award decision:

1 January 2026

V.2.2) Information about tenders

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor/concessionaire

Sue Ryder

Sudbury

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKH14 - Suffolk

Companies House

009423228

The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

No

V.2.4) Information on value of the contract/lot/concession (at the time of conclusion of the contract;excluding VAT)

Total value of the procurement: £24,498,026

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

No conflicts of interest were identified in relation to this decision.

The decision to implement this contract modification was made by NHS Buckinghamshire, Oxfordshire and Berkshire West Integrated Care Board (BOB ICB), in its role as the responsible authority for commissioning Palliative and End of Life Care services for Berkshire West and South Oxfordshire.

This is a Provider Selection Regime (PSR) contract modification notice, under the Health Care Services (Provider Selection Regime) Regulations 2023. For the avoidance of doubt, the provisions of the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 and The Procurement Act 2023 do not apply to this award. This contract has now been formally modified.

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

NHS Buckinghamshire Oxfordshire & Berkshire West Integrated Care Board

Amersham

Country

United Kingdom

Section VII: Modifications to the contract/concession

VII.1) Description of the procurement after the modifications

VII.1.1) Main CPV code

- 85323000 - Community health services

VII.1.3) Place of performance

NUTS code

- UKJ1 - Berkshire, Buckinghamshire and Oxfordshire

Main site or place of performance

Berkshire West and South Oxfordshire

VII.1.4) Description of the procurement:

The Expected Annual Contract Values shall be updated with effect from 1 January 2026 through to 31 December 2035 to reflect an additional payment of £148,000 per annum in respect of drugs and hosiery costs. For the avoidance of doubt, this period includes the optional extension period, which is not automatic and shall apply only in the event that the ICB determines to extend the Contract.

VII.1.5) Duration of the contract, framework agreement, dynamic purchasing system or concession

Duration in months

84

In the case of framework agreements, provide justification for any duration exceeding 4 years:

Option to extend for a further 3 years to 31 December 2035.

VII.1.6) Information on value of the contract/lot/concession (excluding VAT)

Total value of the contract/lot/concession:

£25,534,026

VII.1.7) Name and address of the contractor/concessionaire

Sue Ryder

Sudbury

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKH14 - Suffolk

Companies House

009423228

The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

No

VII.2) Information about modifications

VII.2.1) Description of the modifications

Nature and extent of the modifications (with indication of possible earlier changes to the contract):

The Expected Annual Contract Values shall be updated with effect from 1 January 2026 through to 31 December 2035 to reflect an additional payment of £148,000 per annum in respect of drugs and hosiery costs. For the avoidance of doubt, this period includes the optional extension period, which is not automatic and shall apply only in the event that the ICB determines to extend the Contract.

VII.2.2) Reasons for modification

Need for modification brought about by circumstances which a diligent contracting authority/entity could not foresee.

Description of the circumstances which rendered the modification necessary and explanation of the unforeseen nature of these circumstances:

The requirement to update the Expected Annual Contract Values arose due to an unforeseen and sustained increase in drugs and hosiery costs, which could not reasonably have been anticipated at the point the contract was awarded. As these cost pressures directly affect the safe delivery of the commissioned service, an additional £148,000 per annum is required from 1 January 2026 to 31 December 2035. The modification is necessary to maintain continuity and quality of service provision and relates solely to unavoidable cost inflation outside the control of both the provider and the ICB.

VII.2.3) Increase in price

Updated total contract value before the modifications (taking into account possible earlier contract modifications, price adaptations and average inflation)

Value excluding VAT: £24,498,026

Total contract value after the modifications

Value excluding VAT: £25,534,026