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Contract

Local Authority & Political Leadership Support

Department for Education

F03: Contract award notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-029c61

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

UK - United Kingdom

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Main address

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/department-for-education>

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

I.5) Main activity

Education

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Local Authority & Political Leadership Support

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 85300000 - Social work and related services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

The primary objective of this proposal is to improve the political and corporate leadership and oversight of Local Authorities (LAs), with responsibility for delivering children's services.

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

II.1.7) Total value of the procurement (excluding VAT)

Value excluding VAT: £4,061,604.13

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

A Universal Offer

Lot No

1

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 85300000 - Social work and related services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

1. Provide leadership development programmes for new and existing political leaders, with responsibility for children's services, to ensure they understand their statutory role and can provide effective scrutiny and challenge to senior officials to improve children's social care and SEND services.
2. Provide leadership development programmes for corporate leaders, with responsibility for children's services, to ensure a clear understanding of what 'Good' children's social care and SEND services look like, and how to get there.
3. Facilitate and develop regional networking for political and corporate leaders, with a focus on children's services, so that leaders have a support system to help them deliver their role effectively.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 70%

Price - Weighting: 30%

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) Description

II.2.1) Title

A Targeted Support Offer

Lot No

2

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 85300000 - Social work and related services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Project Objectives:

1. To provide targeted improvement support to select LAs, to be agreed with the Department, with a focus on the effectiveness of LA senior leaders, the effectiveness of partnerships (with the Police and clinical commissioning groups as a minimum) and the strategic approach to improving children's social care and SEND services – this will include specifically working with the director of children's services (DCS), the local authority chief executive, the lead member and partner representatives, as a minimum.
2. To support LA leaders with challenges in their children's social care and SEND services, arising from the COVID-19 pandemic, and the development and delivery of recovery plans.
3. To provide diagnostic services to select LAs, to be agreed with the Department, with a focus on the effectiveness of corporate parenting arrangements and advisory support to deliver the resulting recommendations and improvements.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 70%

Price - Weighting: 30%

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) Description

II.2.1) Title

An Intensive Support Offer

Lot No

3

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 85300000 - Social work and related services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Project Objectives:

1. To provide one to one support to individual political and corporate leaders to improve their understanding of what 'Good' children's social care and SEND services look like, from legal compliance to excellence, and how to get there.
2. To facilitate and develop the understanding of local political groups, such as cabinet and children's scrutiny committees

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 70%

Price - Weighting: 30%

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

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: Yes

IV.2) Administrative information

IV.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure

Notice number: [2021/S 000-005360](#)

IV.2.9) Information about termination of call for competition in the form of a prior information notice

The contracting authority will not award any further contracts based on the above prior information notice

Section V. Award of contract

Contract No

con_9885

Lot No

1

Title

UNIVERSAL SUPPORT

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

11 June 2021

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

IMPROVEMENT AND DEVELOPMENT AGENCY FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

The contractor is an SME

No

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £1,202,460.12

Section V. Award of contract

Contract No

con_9885

Lot No

2

Title

TARGETED SUPPORT

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

11 June 2021

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

IMPROVEMENT AND DEVELOPMENT AGENCY FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

The contractor is an SME

No

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £2,236,298.76

Section V. Award of contract

Contract No

con_9887

Lot No

3

Title

INTENSIVE SUPPORT

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

11 June 2021

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

IMPROVEMENT AND DEVELOPMENT AGENCY FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

The contractor is an SME

No

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £622,845.25

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

High Court of England and Wales

London

Country

United Kingdom