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Contract

## **Individual Placement and Support Project**

Suffolk County Council

F03: Contract award notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-0439bc

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

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

Suffolk County Council

Endeavour House, 8 Russell Road

IPSWICH

IP1 2BX

#### **Email**

[kelly.taylor-seymour@suffolk.gov.uk](mailto:kelly.taylor-seymour@suffolk.gov.uk)

#### **Telephone**

+44 1473265336

#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **NUTS code**

UKH14 - Suffolk

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

[www.suffolksourcing.uk](http://www.suffolksourcing.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**

Individual Placement and Support Project

Reference number

CD1426

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

- 85100000 - Health services

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

Services

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

The Suffolk IPS Scheme will be available to individuals of working age (18+), resident in Suffolk, engaged in structured treatment for drug and/or alcohol issues, and who are out of work. The 'structured treatment' will be provided by our commissioned 'all age' Integrated Drugs and Alcohol Treatment service. Contract value is for the entire period of the contract excluding VAT.

#### **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: £280,756

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

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

- 85100000 - Health services

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

NUTS codes

- UKH14 - Suffolk

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

The Suffolk IPS Scheme will be available to individuals of working age (18+), resident in Suffolk, engaged in structured treatment for drug and/or alcohol issues, and who are out of work. The 'structured treatment' will be provided by our commissioned 'all age' Integrated Drugs and Alcohol Treatment service. The Scheme will provide bespoke 'packages' of support to assist service users in securing sustainable, paid employment. Referrals into the Scheme will be made by staff from the Suffolk commissioned Integrated Drugs and Alcohol Treatment Service. This will ensure that structured drug or alcohol treatment has commenced prior to the IPS referral. It will also ensure that the drug and alcohol treatment staff can explore, with the service user, how commencing employment might impact the individual's treatment. Engagement with the Suffolk IPS scheme will be recorded within an individual's drug and alcohol treatment care plan by the Integrated Drugs and Alcohol Treatment Service. The IPS staff will work flexibly across the county, ensuring equity of service provision and adjusting delivery in response to any changes in demand. While the Provider will be expected to use staff in the most efficient way, the staffing establishment is expected to have as a minimum one Senior Employment Specialist and two Employment Specialists at whole time equivalent and salary should be competitive with similar roles. The Provider will ensure that there is adequate service provision across the county even during periods of staff absence. The IPS programme employs the Fidelity Scale to ensure the support provided are individualised to the client and the Fidelity scale also defines the critical ingredients of IPS which are expected to have greater effectiveness to obtain better outcomes.

#### **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

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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: Yes

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

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

Notice number: [2024/S 000-009269](#)

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

### **Contract No**

CD1426

### **Title**

Individual Placement and Support Project

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

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

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

4 June 2024

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

Number of tenders received: 4

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: 4

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 4

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

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

Intuitive Thinking Skills Limited

The Think Tank 457 Chester Road Old Trafford

Manchester

M16 9HA

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKD3 - Greater Manchester

National registration number

05204890

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: £284,048

Total value of the contract/lot: £280,756

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

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

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

Suffolk County Council

Ipswich

Country

United Kingdom

#### **VI.4.3) Review procedure**

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

Suffolk County Council incorporates a minimum 10 calendar day standstill period from the point at which information on the award of contract is communicated to tenderers. This period allows unsuccessful tenderers to seek further debriefing from the contracting authority before the contract is entered into. If an appeal regarding the award of contract has not been successfully resolved: The Public Contracts Regulations 2015 as amended provide for aggrieved parties who have been harmed or at risk of harm by a breach of the rules, to take action in the High Court (England, Wales and Northern Ireland) Any such action must be brought promptly)