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Contract

Independent Advocacy Services

West Northamptonshire Council

F03: Contract award notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

West Northamptonshire Council

One Angel Square, Angel Street

Northampton

NN1 1ED

Email

procurement@westnorthants.gov.uk

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

UKF24 - West Northamptonshire

Internet address(es)

Main address

<http://www.westnorthants.gov.uk>

Buyer's address

<http://www.in-tendorganiser.co.uk/wnc>

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Regional or local authority

I.5) Main activity

General public services

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Independent Advocacy Services

Reference number

WNC00000204

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 85312300 - Guidance and counselling services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

The Authority is seeking one organisation to provide Independent Advocacy services across West Northamptonshire. Local Authorities have a duty to involve people in decisions made about them and their care and support. No matter how complex a person's needs, Local Authorities are required to help people express their wishes and feelings, support them in weighing up their options, and assist them in making their own decisions during the assessment, care planning, review processes, and also including safeguarding enquiries. The service will enable people who have substantial difficulty being involved in the key processes and interactions with the local authority to be supported in that involvement as fully as possible, and where necessary be represented by an advocate who speaks on their behalf. It will ensure that people's wishes, feelings and needs are at the heart of the assessment, care planning and review processes and will focus on the presenting issue, be person-centered, de

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: £443,236.42

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 85312300 - Guidance and counselling services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKF24 - West Northamptonshire

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 90%

Price - Weighting: 0%

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: No

IV.2) Administrative information

IV.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure

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Section V. Award of contract

Contract No

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Title

Independent Advocacy Services

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

22 May 2023

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 2

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 0

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: 2

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

POhWER

Suite 4 Middlesex House Meadway Corporate Centre Stevenage SG1 2EF

Stevenage

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKH23 - Hertfordshire

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: £443,236

Total value of the contract/lot: £443,236

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

West northamptonshire Council

Northamptonshire

NN1 1ED

Country

United Kingdom

VI.4.2) Body responsible for mediation procedures

West Northamptonshire Council

Northampton

Country

United Kingdom

VI.4.4) Service from which information about the review procedure may be obtained

West Northamptonshire Council

Northampton

Country

United Kingdom