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Contract

## **Provision of Children's Advocacy and Independent Visitor Services**

Southend-on-Sea Borough Council

F03: Contract award notice

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

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

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**Country**

United Kingdom

**NUTS code**

UKH31 - Southend-on-Sea

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

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

Buyer's address

<http://www.southend.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 Children's Advocacy and Independent Visitor Services

Reference number

DN509778

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

- 85300000 - Social work and related services

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

Services

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

Advocacy is about empowering children and young people to make sure that their views and wishes are heard at all times and represented in decision making processes. The Council's vision is that all children and young people in Southend feel listened to and empowered, have choice and control over their support, and have their rights upheld. Furthermore, the views put forward by children and young people should inform the development of the Council's services. The service will provide advocacy and independent visiting services for the Council's Children and Young

People in Care, Care Leavers and Children and Young People who are the subject of Child Protection conferences. The Provider is to allocate suitably trained and supported advocates to children and young people referred to the service by any agreed route to 70 children or young people per annum. The Provider will deliver an Advocacy service to facilitate the voice of individual children and young people in their relationship with the Authority and other agencies as identified by young people in the care of the Authority.

#### **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: £230,000

## **II.2) Description**

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

NUTS codes

- UKH31 - Southend-on-Sea

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

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### **II.2.5) Award criteria**

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 90%

Price - Weighting: 10%

### **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: No

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

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

Notice number: [2020/S 224-552006](#)

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

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

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

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

20 February 2021

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

Number of tenders received: 5

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

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

National Youth Advocacy Service

Birkenhead, Merseyside

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKH31 - Southend-on-Sea

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £230,000

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

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

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

Royal Courts of Justice Town

London

Country

United Kingdom