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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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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocids-h6vhtk-02d774

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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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

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

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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

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](#)

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

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Royal Courts of Justice Town

London

Country

United Kingdom