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Contract

## **SC21093 - E-Books and E-Audio Content**

Kent County Council

F03: Contract award notice

Notice identifier: 2023/S 000-021664

Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-03ea83

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

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

Kent County Council

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#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **Region code**

UKJ4 - Kent

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

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

Buyer's address

<http://www.kent.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**

SC21093 - E-Books and E-Audio Content

Reference number

DN681254

**II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 22000000 - Printed matter and related products

**II.1.3) Type of contract**

Supplies

**II.1.4) Short description**

Kent County Council required provision of E-Books and E-Audio Content for Kent Libraries, Archives and Registration (LRA). LRA delivers a range and depth of stock that

reflects the rich and complex diversity of needs within the county of Kent and provide best value from stock resources by utilising information from performance indicators, in-house management information, knowledge of trade developments and needs of our users. Library Authorities are now expected to deliver seamless digital services as part of core offers.

#### **II.1.6) Information about lots**

This contract is divided into lots: No

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

Lowest offer: £300,000 / Highest offer: £600,000 taken into consideration

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

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

NUTS codes

- UKJ4 - Kent

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

Kent County Council procured the contract under the ESPO 'E-Books and E-Audiobooks and

Print Books' framework (framework reference 376E\_20).

#### **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**

Award of a contract without prior publication of a call for competition in the cases listed below

- The procurement falls outside the scope of application of the regulations

Explanation:

Kent County Council procured the contract under the ESPO 'E-Books and E-Audiobooks and

Print Books' framework (framework reference 376E\_20), therefore a prior publication was not required.

#### **IV.1.3) Information about a framework agreement or a dynamic purchasing system**

The procurement involves the establishment of a framework agreement

#### **IV.1.8) Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)**

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

## **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**

31 March 2022

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

Number of tenders received: 2

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

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

BorrowBox

London

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKJ4 - Kent

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Lowest offer: £300,000 / Highest offer: £600,000 taken into consideration

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

Overdrive Inc.

Cleveland

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKJ4 - Kent

The contractor is an SME

No

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

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

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

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

Kent County Council

Maidstone

Country

United Kingdom