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Contract

SC21093 - E-Books and E-Audio Content

Kent County Council

F03: Contract award notice

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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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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

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

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)

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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