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Contract

ICT-21-008 Online School to Home Engagement Software Tool for Nursery and Primary Pupils

the Education Authority

F20: Modification notice

Notice identifier: 2024/S 000-021789

Procurement identifier (OCID): ocids-h6vhtk-02927f

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Section I: Contracting authority/entity

I.1) Name and addresses

the Education Authority

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Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UK - United Kingdom

Internet address(es)

Main address

<https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps>

Buyer's address

<https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps>

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

ICT-21-008 Online School to Home Engagement Software Tool for Nursery and Primary Pupils

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 800000000 - Education and training services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKN - Northern Ireland

II.2.4) Description of the procurement at the time of conclusion of the contract:

The scope of this contract is for an Online Home Engagement Software Tool for Nursery and Primary Pupils to

be accessible to all pupils in Nursery and Primary schools (approx.180,000 pupils) via the C2k Platform.

II.2.7) Duration of the contract, framework agreement, dynamic purchasing system or concession

Duration in months

48

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.2) Administrative information

IV.2.1) Contract award notice concerning this contract

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Section V. Award of contract/concession

Contract No

ICT-21-008

V.2) Award of contract/concession

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract/concession award decision:

13 April 2021

V.2.2) Information about tenders

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor/concessionaire

JUST2EASY LTD

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danny@j2e.com

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKN - Northern Ireland

Internet address

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The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

Yes

V.2.4) Information on value of the contract/lot/concession (at the time of conclusion of the contract;excluding VAT)

Total value of the procurement: £1,032,000

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

The UK does not currently have any such bodies with responsibilities for appeal/mediation procedures

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Country

United Kingdom

Section VII: Modifications to the contract/concession

VII.1) Description of the procurement after the modifications

VII.1.1) Main CPV code

- 80000000 - Education and training services

VII.1.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 48190000 - Educational software package

VII.1.3) Place of performance

NUTS code

- UKN - Northern Ireland

VII.1.4) Description of the procurement:

ICT-21-008 - Online Home Engagement Software Tool

VII.1.5) Duration of the contract, framework agreement, dynamic purchasing system or concession

Duration in months

48

VII.1.6) Information on value of the contract/lot/concession (excluding VAT)

Total value of the contract/lot/concession:

£1,406,122

VII.1.7) Name and address of the contractor/concessionaire

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The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

Yes

VII.2) Information about modifications

VII.2.1) Description of the modifications

Nature and extent of the modifications (with indication of possible earlier changes to the contract):

This contract was awarded via an Open Procedure completed in 2021.

Modification is to increase awarded value by £374,122. This proposed value modification complies with Regulation 72 (1) (b) as stated

below:

72.— (1) Contracts and framework agreements may be modified without a new procurement procedure in accordance with this Part in

any of the following cases:

(b)for additional works, services or supplies by the original contractor that have become necessary and were not included in the initial

procurement, where a change of contractor—

(i)cannot be made for economic or technical reasons such as requirements of interchangeability or interoperability with existing

equipment, services or installations procured under the initial procurement, or

(ii)would cause significant inconvenience or substantial duplication of costs for the contracting authority,

provided that any increase in price does not exceed 50% of the value of the original contract.

The increase of an additional £374,122.00 is 36% of the original contract award value.

Any change of contractor at this stage would cause significant inconvenience to the ongoing service delivery. There are also technical

grounds in that the current Contractor is the only body able to maintain and service the current solution.

The option to extend was included in the original tender documentation. Failure to extend will result in the service being without an

Online School To Home Engagement Software tool for Nursery & Primary Pupils.

VII.2.2) Reasons for modification

Need for additional works, services or supplies by the original contractor/concessionaire.

Description of the economic or technical reasons and the inconvenience or duplication of cost preventing a change of contractor:

The increase of an additional £374,122.00 is estimated to be around 36% of the original contract award value and is within the stated tolerance of 50%.

Any change of contractor at this stage would cause significant inconvenience to the ongoing service delivery. There are also technical grounds in that the current Contractor is the only body able to maintain and service the current solution. The option to extend was included in the original tender documentation therefore little risk associated. Failure to extend will result in the service being without an Online School To Home Engagement Software tool for Nursery & Primary Pupils

J2E tools provide a key parental portal tool and core curriculum eLearning applications that are now embedded in NI schools. Schools depend on the C2k system and software such as J2E to deliver the NI curriculum

VII.2.3) Increase in price

Updated total contract value before the modifications (taking into account possible earlier contract modifications, price adaptations and average inflation)

Value excluding VAT: £1,032,000

Total contract value after the modifications

Value excluding VAT: £1,406,122