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Contract

## **AQP Adult Direct Access MSK Physiotherapy service to NHS Frimley Integrated Care Board (ICB)**

NHS Frimley Integrated Care Board

F03: Contract award notice

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

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

NHS Frimley Integrated Care Board

Windsor

SL4 3DP

#### **Email**

[scwcsu.cbprocurement@nhs.net](mailto:scwcsu.cbprocurement@nhs.net)

#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **Region code**

UKJ37 - North Hampshire

#### **Justification for not providing organisation identifier**

Not on any register

## **Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://www.frimley.icb.nhs.uk>

## **I.4) Type of the contracting authority**

Body governed by public law

## **I.5) Main activity**

Health

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## **Section II: Object**

### **II.1) Scope of the procurement**

#### **II.1.1) Title**

AQP Adult Direct Access MSK Physiotherapy service to NHS Frimley Integrated Care Board (ICB)

Reference number

DAC5

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

- 85100000 - Health services

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

Services

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

NHS Frimley ICB ("the Commissioner") sought to commission Thorpes Physiotherapy Ltd to provide a 'AQP Adult Direct Access MSK Physiotherapy service. Patient population covered is North-East Hampshire and Farnham place. Referrals are via GP. The referring GPs prioritise patients as either routine or urgent. The provider carries out an initial face-to-face clinical assessment with the patient, during which a treatment plan is discussed and agreed. For referrals accepted into the service, a package of care is provided consisting of the necessary treatment required to meet the individual clinical needs of the

patient. This may include but is not limited to: advice & education, provision of literature, acupuncture, manual therapy, electrotherapy, exercise programmes, soft tissue mobilisation or back care advice. Follow-ups are provided. Group exercise programmes are permitted as part of the treatment.

The Commissioner is directly awarding a contract to the existing provider Thorpes Physiotherapy Ltd in accordance with the criteria outlined in Regulation (9) of the Health Care Services (Provider Selection Regime) Regulations 2023. The total value of the contract is £137,879 for the 7 months. The contract period will commence on the 01st April 2024.

#### **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: £137,879

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

#### **II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 85100000 - Health services

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

NUTS codes

- UKJ3 - Hampshire and Isle of Wight

Main site or place of performance

Hampshire

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

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This procurement has been carried out by NHS South, Central and West Commissioning Support Unit (SCW) on behalf of the Commissioners.

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

Quality criterion - Name: The existing provider is satisfying the original contract and will likely satisfy the proposed contract to a sufficient standard / Weighting: 100

Price - Weighting: 0

#### **II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: 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:

This is a Provider Selection Regime (PSR) intention to award notice. The awarding of this contract is subject to the Health Care Services (Provider Selection Regime) Regulations 2023. For the avoidance of doubt, the provisions of the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 do not apply to this award. The publication of this notice marks the start of the standstill period. Representations by providers must be made to the relevant authority by 26th July 2024. This contract has not yet formally been awarded; this notice serves as an intention to award under the PSR.

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: No

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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**

7 May 2024

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

Number of tenders received: 1

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

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

Thorpes Physiotherapy Ltd

19 Leawood Road, Fleet

Hampshire

GU51 5AL

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKJ3 - Hampshire and Isle of Wight

Companies House

08270167

The contractor is an SME

No

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

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot: £137,879

Total value of the contract/lot: £137,879

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.3) Additional information**

The Commissioner made the decision of directly awarding the incumbent provider Thorpes Physiotherapy Ltd in accordance with the following five criteria outlined in Regulation (9) of the Health Care Services (Provider Selection Regime) Regulations 2023.

- Quality and innovation
- Value
- Integration, collaboration, and service sustainability

- Improving access, reducing health inequalities and facilitating choice
- Social value

It has been advised that Thorpes Physiotherapy Ltd has the evidenced ability to deliver the activity required to meet service requirements within the required region and that can deliver to the tight timescale. A direct award to Thorpes Physiotherapy Ltd would be appropriate and present the best value for the Commissioner in this circumstance.

No declared conflicts or potential conflicts of interest were identified during the decision-making process.

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

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

NHS Frimley ICB

Windsor

Country

United Kingdom