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# Bespoke mail service for Bowel Screening Wales

NHS Wales Shared Services Partnership

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# **Section I: Contracting authority/entity**

### I.1) Name and addresses

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**United Kingdom** 

#### **NUTS** code

UK - United Kingdom

### Internet address(es)

Main address

http://nwssp.nhs.wales/ourservices/procurement-services/

Buyer's address

https://www.sell2wales.gov.wales/search/Search AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA0221

# I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

# I.5) Main activity

Health

# **Section II: Object**

### II.1) Scope of the procurement

#### II.1.1) Title

Bespoke mail service for Bowel Screening Wales

Reference number

PHW-DCO-54977

#### II.1.2) Main CPV code

• 6400000 - Postal and telecommunications services

#### II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

#### II.1.4) Short description

Bespoke mail service for Bowel Screening Wales

NHS Wales Shared Services Partnership on behalf of Public Health Wales wish to inform the market that they intend to award an 18-month contract to Royal Mail to deliver a bespoke tracked 48 mail service to provide Bowel Screening Wales participants across Wales with a facility to return test kits to a Screening Laboratory in Wales.

### 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: £933,515

## II.2) Description

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

• 30199240 - Mailing kit

#### II.2.3) Place of performance

**NUTS** codes

• UKL - Wales

Main site or place of performance

Wales

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

Bowel Screening Wales sends invitations and bowel test kits through the post to screening and symptomatic participants.

The Royal Mail service is compatible with Public Health Wales Bowel Screening current IT system. Royal Mail provide a clinically safe method to return bowel kits with the understanding that they contain human material.

The completed bowel test kits can be posted in a Royal Mail post box making it accessible for participants. Royal Mail provide a consistent method for all participants to make this an equitable process for returning bowel screening test kits.

#### 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

### II.2.14) Additional information

For all communication regarding this notice, please contact Lewis Blackshaw at <a href="mailto:lewis.blackshaw2@wales.nhs.uk">lewis.blackshaw2@wales.nhs.uk</a>

# Section IV. Procedure

## **IV.1) Description**

#### IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Negotiated without a prior call for competition

- The works, supplies or services can be provided only by a particular economic operator for the following reason:
  - absence of competition for technical reasons

#### **Explanation:**

It is considered that this contract can be placed using the negotiated procedure without prior publication of a contract notice pursuant to

Article 32(2)(b)(ii) of the Directive 2014/24/EU (Regulation 32(2)(b)(ii) of the Public Contract Regulations 2015). This is for technical reasons in that this contract may not be awarded to any other particular economic operator.

The incumbent solution allows the capture of bowel screening test kits to be sent and returned by participants across Wales. No reasonable alternative or substitute exists to meet the capability currently in use that would be able to be configured and deployed in a short time without investing a disproportionate and unreasonable amount of public money and Public Health Wales time.

The bowel screening solution is live and is widespread use across Wales by Public Health Wales Bowel Screening and participants. The process has been developed and configured to specifically fit Public Health Wales processes and participant requirements.

### 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/concession

#### **Contract No**

PHW-DCO-54977

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

## V.2) Award of contract/concession

### V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

23 July 2024

### V.2.2) Information about tenders

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

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

Royal Mail

PO Box 2064,

**WREXHAM** 

LL128ZF

Telephone

+44 000000

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+44 000000

Country

**United Kingdom** 

**NUTS** code

• UKL - Wales

The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

No

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

Total value of the contract/lot/concession: £933,515

# **Section VI. Complementary information**

# VI.3) Additional information

For any further information please contact Lewis Blackshaw, NWSSP,

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https://www.sell2wales.gov.wales/Search/Search Switch.aspx?ID=143234.

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## VI.4) Procedures for review

### VI.4.1) Review body

**High Court** 

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London

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