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Contract

ID 3545980 - DAERA - Northern Ireland Climate Action advertising campaign

Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs DAERA Department of Agriculture Environment and Rural Affairs NI

F03: Contract award notice

Notice identifier: 2021/S 000-023767

Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-02c591

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs DAERA

Dundonald House, Upper Newtownards Rd, Ballymiscaw

BELFAST

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Email

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Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

UK - United Kingdom

Internet address(es)

Main address

https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps

Buyer's address

https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps

I.1) Name and addresses

Department of Agriculture Environment and Rural Affairs NI

Dundonald House

Belfast

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Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

UK - United Kingdom

Internet address(es)

Main address

https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps

Buyer's address

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I.2) Information about joint procurement

The contract involves joint procurement

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

I.5) Main activity

General public services

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

ID 3545980 - DAERA - Northern Ireland Climate Action advertising campaign

Reference number

ID 3545980

II.1.2) Main CPV code

• 79341000 - Advertising services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

The Department for Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs (DAERA) (the Client) wishes to appoint a Contractor to deliver advertising and related services for campaign advertising. The overall purpose of this campaign is to engage audiences with climate change issues and drive awareness of the benefits and opportunities in taking action to tackle climate change, and specifically to engage people with DAERA's Northern Ireland Climate Action (NICA) initiative, which is being promoted primarily through DAERA's public-facing MyNI website and social media channels: MyNI facebook MyNI twitter MyNI Instagram and Farming MyNI facebook group

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: £300,000

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 79340000 Advertising and marketing services
- 79341400 Advertising campaign services
- 79341200 Advertising management services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

• UKN - Northern Ireland

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: AC1 Strategic Solution / Weighting: 20.3

Quality criterion - Name: AC2 Media Strategy, Rationale and Media Plan / Weighting: 25.2

Quality criterion - Name: AC3 Proposals for Research and Evaluation / Weighting: 9.8

Quality criterion - Name: AC4 Key Personnel Experience / Weighting: 9.8

Quality criterion - Name: AC5 Business Continuity / Weighting: 4.9

Cost criterion - Name: AC6 Total Media Cost / Weighting: 20

Cost criterion - Name: AC7 Average Hourly Rate / Weighting: 10

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: Yes

Description of options

The Initial Contract period is 6 months with options to extend for two further 12 month periods

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

Open procedure

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

IV.2) Administrative information

IV.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure

Notice number: <u>2021/S 000-015903</u>

Section V. Award of contract

Contract No

1

Title

Contract

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

14 September 2021

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 2

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 2

Number of tenders received from tenderers from other EU Member States: 0

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 2

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 2

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

ARDMORE ADVERTISING MARKETING LTD

Ardmore House

HOLYWOOD

BT18 9JQ

Email

info@ardmore.co.uk

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

• UK - United Kingdom

Internet address

https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot: £300,000

Total value of the contract/lot: £300,000

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

Contract Monitoring - The successful contractor's performance on the contract will be regularly monitored. Contractors not delivering on contract requirements is a serious matter. It means the public purse is not getting what it is paying for. If a contractor fails to reach satisfactory levels of contract performance they will be given a specified time to improve. If, after the specified time, they still fail to reach satisfactory levels of contract performance, the matter will be escalated to senior management in CPD for further action. If this occurs and their performance still does not improve to satisfactory levels within the specified period, it may be regarded as an act of grave professional misconduct and they may be issued with a Certificate of Unsatisfactory Performance and the contract may be terminated. The issue of a Certificate of Unsatisfactory Performance will result in the contractor being excluded from all procurement competitions being undertaken by Centres of Procurement Expertise on behalf of bodies covered by the Northern Ireland Procurement Policy for a period of twelve months from the date of issue of the certificate.

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

The UK does not have any such bodies with responsibility for appeal/mediation procedures.

Belfast

Country

United Kingdom

VI.4.3) Review procedure

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

CPD complied with the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 (as amended) and incorporated a standstill period (i.e. a minimum of 10 calendar days) at the point information on the award of contract was communicated to tenderers. That notification provided full information on the award decision. This provided time for the unsuccessful tenderers to challenge the award decision before the contract was entered into.