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#### Contract

# A Multi-Provider Framework Agreement for the Provision of Additional Voluntary Contribution Services and Consultancy Services Associated with Additional Voluntary Contributions Primarily in Support of the Local Government Pension Scheme (LGPS)

#### NORFOLK COUNTY COUNCIL

Cheshire West and Chester Council (as Administering Authority of the Cheshire Pension Fund)

Dumfries and Galloway Council (as Administering Authority of the Dumfries and Galloway Pension Fund)

Leicestershire County Council (as Administering Authority of Leicestershire Pension Fund)

Glasgow City Council (as Administering Authority of the Strathclyde Pension Fund)

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# **Section I: Contracting authority**

#### I.1) Name and addresses

NORFOLK COUNTY COUNCIL

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**NORWICH** 

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Justification for not providing organisation identifier
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Internet address(es)
Main address
www.norfolk.gov.uk
Buyer's address
https://in-tendhost.co.uk/norfolkcc/aspx/Home
I.1) Name and addresses
Cheshire West and Chester Council (as Administering Authority of the Cheshire Pension Fund)
Ellesmere Port
CH65 0BE

# Email

pensions@cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk

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**United Kingdom** 

#### Region code

UKD63 - Cheshire West and Chester

#### Justification for not providing organisation identifier

Not on any register

#### Internet address(es)

Main address

www.cheshirepensionfund.org

#### I.1) Name and addresses

Dumfries and Galloway Council (as Administering Authority of the Dumfries and Galloway Pension Fund)

**Dumfries** 

#### **Email**

contact@dungal.gov.uk

#### Country

**United Kingdom** 

#### Region code

UKM92 - Dumfries & Galloway

#### Justification for not providing organisation identifier

Not on any register

#### Internet address(es)

Main address

#### https://www.dumgal.gov.uk/pensions

## I.1) Name and addresses

Leicestershire County Council (as Administering Authority of Leicestershire Pension Fund)

Leicester

#### **Email**

pensions@leics.gov.uk

#### Country

United Kingdom

#### Region code

UKF21 - Leicester

Justification for not providing organisation identifier

Not on any register

Internet address(es)

Main address

https://leicsmss.pensiondetails.co.uk

#### I.1) Name and addresses

Glasgow City Council (as Administering Authority of the Strathclyde Pension Fund)

Glasgow

#### **Email**

spfo@glasgow.gov.uk

#### Country

United Kingdom

## Region code

UKM82 - Glasgow City

Justification for not providing organisation identifier

Not on any register

Internet address(es)

Main address

https://www.spfo.org.uk

# I.2) Information about joint procurement

The contract involves joint procurement

# 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

A Multi-Provider Framework Agreement for the Provision of Additional Voluntary Contribution Services and Consultancy Services Associated with Additional Voluntary Contributions Primarily in Support of the Local Government Pension Scheme (LGPS)

Reference number

NCCT42660

#### II.1.2) Main CPV code

• 66520000 - Pension services

#### II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

#### II.1.4) Short description

Norfolk County Council (as Administering Authority for the Norfolk Pension Fund), on its own behalf and on behalf of Cheshire West and Chester Council (as Administering Authority of the Cheshire Pension Fund, Dumfries and Galloway Council (as Administering Authority of the Dumfries and Galloway Pension Fund), Glasgow City Council (as Administering Authority of the Strathclyde Pension Fund) and Leicestershire County Council (as Administering Authority of Leicestershire Pension Fund) sought to let a multi-lot, multi-provider framework agreement for the provision of Additional Voluntary Contribution Services and Consultancy Services Associated with Additional Voluntary Contributions primarily in support of the Local Government Pension Scheme (LGPS).

#### II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

#### II.1.7) Total value of the procurement (excluding VAT)

Value excluding VAT: £3,000,000

#### II.2) Description

#### II.2.1) Title

#### Additional Voluntary Contribution Services

Lot No

1

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

• 66520000 - Pension services

#### II.2.3) Place of performance

**NUTS** codes

• UK - United Kingdom

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

The LGPS has a regulatory responsibility to offer an AVC facility for its scheme members. Each fund administers the LGPS for significant numbers of employers and multiple payroll providers. This lot is provides a replacement or an additional AVC facility for LGPS funds.

#### II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 80

Price - Weighting: 20

#### II.2.11) Information about options

Options: No

# II.2) Description

#### II.2.1) Title

Consultancy Services associated with Additional Voluntary Contributions

Lot No

2

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

• 66523000 - Pension fund consultancy services

#### II.2.3) Place of performance

**NUTS** codes

• UK - United Kingdom

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

To provide a wide range of advisory services in relation to Additional Voluntary Contribution Services.

#### II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 80

Price - Weighting: 20

#### II.2.11) Information about options

Options: 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>2023/S 000-034703</u>

# IV.2.9) Information about termination of call for competition in the form of a prior information notice

The contracting authority will not award any further contracts based on the above prior information notice

# Section V. Award of contract

#### Lot No

1

#### **Title**

Additional Voluntary Contribution Services

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

# V.2) Award of contract

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

1 May 2024

#### V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 2

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 0

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 2

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: Yes

# V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Legal & General Assurance Society

London

Country

**United Kingdom** 

**NUTS** code

• UKI - London

Companies House

1006112
The contractor is an SME
No
V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor
Prudential Assurance Company
London
Country
United Kingdom
NUTS code
UKI - London
Companies House
00015454
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: £1
Total value of the contract/lot: £1
Section V. Award of contract
Lot No
2

# Title

Consultancy Services associated with Additional Voluntary Contributions

Α	contract/lot	is	awarded:	Yes
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#### V.2) Award of contract

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

1 May 2024

#### V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 5

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 0

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 5

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: Yes

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

Barnett Waddingham LLP

London

Country

**United Kingdom** 

**NUTS** code

• UKI - London

Companies House

OC307678

The contractor is an SME

No

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

Lane, Clark & Peacock LLP

London

Country
United Kingdom
NUTS code
UKI - London
Companies House
OC301436
The contractor is an SME
No
V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor
Mercer Ltd
Liverpool
Country
United Kingdom
NUTS code
• UKD72 - Liverpool
Companies House
Companies Flouse
00984275
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#### **United Kingdom**

**NUTS** code

• UKI - London

Companies House

5913159

The contractor is an SME

No

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

Hymans Robertson LLP

London

Country

**United Kingdom** 

**NUTS** code

• UKI - London

Companies House

OC310282

The contractor is an SME

No

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £3,000,000

# **Section VI. Complementary information**

# VI.3) Additional information

Please note the contract values are indicative as there is no guarantee of business.

Lot 1 - there is no cost to contracting authorities as the contract sits between the scheme member and the AVC provider for which we have no visibility of costs on the agreements.

Lot 2 - the expectation is that the value will be between £1,000,000 and £3,000,000 over the life of the framework.

In addition to those listed in this notice, the framework may also be used by:

- any LGPS administering authorities as defined in the Local Government Pension Scheme Regulations 2013 (SI 2013/2356) (as amended) including the firefighters' pension scheme and police pension schemes and any of their participating employing authorities, or in relation to the LGPS in Scotland, any administering authority and any of their scheme employers as defined in the Local Government Pension Scheme (Scotland) Regulations 2018 (SSI 2018/141) (as amended);
- NILGOSC in Northern Ireland and employing authorities as defined in the Local Government Pension Scheme Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2014 SRNI/188 (as amended)
- the Board of the Pension Protection Fund (http://www.pensionprotectionfund.org.uk)
- any other administering authority or organisation of a public sector pension scheme or any public sector body or that requires pension related services;
- any common asset pool or collective investment vehicle established by or on behalf of an administering authority or group of administering authorities; or
- any bodies, organisations or companies established by them for the purpose of operating on a collective basis.

# VI.4) Procedures for review

#### VI.4.1) Review body

**Nplaw** 

Norwich

Country

**United Kingdom**