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Contract

**1675647.50**

Department for Education

F03: Contract award notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-03b753

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## **Section I: Contracting authority**

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

Department for Education

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#### **Email**

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#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **Region code**

UK - United Kingdom

#### **Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/department-for-education>

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

Ministry or any other national or federal authority

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

Education

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## **Section II: Object**

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

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

1675647.50

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

- 85300000 - Social work and related services

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

Services

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

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#### **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: £1,675,647.50

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

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

- 85000000 - Health and social work services

**II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

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

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**II.2.5) Award criteria**

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 60%

Quality criterion - Name: Social Value / Weighting: 10%

Cost criterion - Name: price / Weighting: 30%

**II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: Yes

Description of options

2 x 1 year options

**II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds**

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

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## **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: [2023/S 000-009291](#)

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## **Section V. Award of contract**

### **Title**

Care Leavers Covenant 2023

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

### **V.2) Award of contract**

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

15 August 2023

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

Number of tenders received: 5

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 5

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 5

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 5

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

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

Spectra First Ltd

Wolverhampton

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £1,675,647.50

### **V.2.5) Information about subcontracting**

The contract is likely to be subcontracted

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

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

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

Department for Education

Nottingham

Country

United Kingdom