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## **Domestic Abuse Support Service**

Leeds City Council - PACS

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

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

Leeds City Council - PACS

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United Kingdom

**Region code**

UKE42 - Leeds

**Justification for not providing organisation identifier**

Not on any register

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

[www.leeds.gov.uk](http://www.leeds.gov.uk)

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

Regional or local authority

**I.5) Main activity**

General public services

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## **Section II: Object**

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

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

Domestic Abuse Support Service

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

- 85000000 - Health and social work services

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

Services

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

The Domestic Abuse Support Service is a city-wide service that supports victim-survivors of domestic abuse. The key elements are:

- Emergency Accommodation: a combination of self-contained units within a refuge building offering 24/7 support and a range of dispersed properties in the community.

- Community-based services

- o 24 hour helpline

- o Independent Domestic Violence Advocate (IDVA) provision

- o Group support

- o Drop-in provision

- o Community 1-1 support

- Supporting key partnership arrangements

- o Daily Risk Assessment Meetings (DRAM)

- o Multi-Agency Risk Assessment Meetings (MARAC)

- o Claire's Law process

- o Domestic Homicide Reviews (DHR)
- o Multi-Agency Safeguarding Partnership (MASP)
- o Early Help Hub arrangements
- o Domestic Abuse Local Partnership Board (DALPB)
- o Domestic Abuse Voice and Accountability Forum (DAVA)

#### **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: £2,666,094

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

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

- 85000000 - Health and social work services

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

NUTS codes

- UKE42 - Leeds

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

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

Options: No

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## **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:

- Leeds Women's Aid are the only provider that has the expertise, capacity, experience and local knowledge and connections to deliver the service at this time, which correlates

with the requirements of the provision as to a lack of competition for technical reasons.

- the current providers of the Leeds Domestic Violence Service are Leeds Women's Aid, Behind Closed Doors and Women's Health Matters. All three organisations are vastly experienced at providing this specialist service in the city. All three organisations work well in partnership and have a proven track record of delivering a quality service for their clients. Neither BCD nor WHM have the capacity to deliver the entire service independently and do not have experience of delivering refuge provision, however the overall service benefits from the expertise that they are able to bring to community-based elements of the service. This is done through sub-contracting arrangements with LWA.
- there are no concerns with the current provision which would suggest that there is any meaningful risk with entering into a new contract with Leeds Women's Aid. They have consistently met their contractual obligations and all three partners have engaged with clients, commissioners and other stakeholders with regard to ongoing service delivery and improvement.
- LDVS has been instrumental in establishing and developing key partnership arrangements in the city, particularly the daily DRAM, the twice weekly MARAC meetings and the DAVA Forum
- the LDVS brand is well established in the city for clients, health care professionals and third sector organisations.
- recommissioning the LDVS service in the city would provide continuity of care for vulnerable, at-risk clients and minimise disruption for those currently working with the service.
- LDVS has been awarded various pots of additional funding throughout the last contract period which allowed the service to offer enhanced support to people experiencing domestic abuse. The service is well placed to quickly deliver additional or new elements of support to individuals and families in the city through their already established links and structures.

#### **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/concession**

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

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

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

3 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**

Leeds Women's Aid

Leeds

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKE42 - Leeds

Charity Commission (England and Wales)

1005884

The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

Yes

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

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot/concession: £2,666,094

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

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

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

The High Court of Justice

The Strand

London

WC2A 2LL

Country

United Kingdom