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Contract

Provision of inpatient meals (cook/chill/frozen service)

Norfolk and Suffolk NHS Foundation Trust

F03: Contract award notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocids-h6vhtk-03f79c

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UKH1 - East Anglia

Justification for not providing organisation identifier

Not on any register

Internet address(es)

Main address

<http://www.nsft.nhs.uk>

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

Provision of inpatient meals (cook/chill/frozen service)

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 15894200 - Prepared meals

II.1.3) Type of contract

Supplies

II.1.4) Short description

Under section 32 (c) of the Public Contract Regulations 2015, the Norfolk and Suffolk NHS Foundation Trust (NSFT) has awarded a contract to Country Kitchen Foods for the provision of cook/chill meals for its inpatient units across Norfolk and Suffolk.

This contract award, without call for competition, is being awarded following the short notice cessation of service from the previous service provider. The award is being made for reasons of extreme urgency brought about by events unforeseeable by the contracting authority, the time limits for the open or restricted procedures or competitive procedures with negotiation cannot be complied with.

This contract award is being made for an initial 12 month period, to enable the Trust to make suitable alterations to delivery requirements to facilitate a procurement process at a later date.

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: £1,179,000

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 55520000 - Catering services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKH14 - Suffolk
- UKH15 - Norwich and East Norfolk
- UKH16 - North and West Norfolk
- UKH17 - Breckland and South Norfolk

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

This contract is for the provision of cook/chill/frozen meals to patients currently within the care of NSFT, delivered daily to each of the Trust's inpatient units. Food is reheated for patient consumption using a regeneration oven for up to two meals per patient, per day.

Following the previous service provider falling into administration, the Trust has secured a one year contract with Country Kitchen Foods to ensure continuity of patient meals and catering services.

The circumstances invoked to justify extreme urgency were not, in any event, attributable to the contracting authority.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Price

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: No

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Award of a contract without prior publication of a call for competition in the cases listed below

- Extreme urgency brought about by events unforeseeable for the contracting authority

Explanation:

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The service currently requires a 7 day a week delivery service (as provided by the previous contracted service provider) and requires time to make infrastructure changes to remove or reduce this dependency. The Trust is not currently in a position to be able to facilitate less than a daily delivery service.

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

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

1 August 2023

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 1

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Country Kitchen Foods (Norfolk)

Cawston

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKH - East of England

Companies House

10312324

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: £1,179,000

Total value of the contract/lot: £1,179,000

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Norfolk and Suffolk NHS Foundation Trust

Norwich

Country

United Kingdom