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Contract

# Independent Visitor, Children's Rights and Advocacy Service

West Berkshire Council

F03: Contract award notice

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## **Section I: Contracting authority**

## I.1) Name and addresses

West Berkshire Council

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Newbury

**RG14 5LD** 

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#### Country

**United Kingdom** 

## **NUTS** code

UKJ11 - Berkshire

## Internet address(es)

Main address

www.westberks.gov.uk

# 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

Independent Visitor, Children's Rights and Advocacy Service

Reference number

P00000746

#### II.1.2) Main CPV code

85320000 - Social services

#### II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

#### II.1.4) Short description

The Children Acts 1989 and 2004 stipulate that a Local Authority has to appoint an Independent Visitor (IV) for any child they are looking after if the Authority thinks it would be in the child's best interests. An Independent Visitor is a volunteer who is independent of social care services, and they are there to visit and to 'befriend and advise' the child. This service also provides a Children's Rights and Advocacy Service for Children in Need, Children subject to Child Protection Plans, Children in Care and Care Leavers.

#### 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: £341,250

#### II.2) Description

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

• 85320000 - Social services

#### II.2.3) Place of performance

**NUTS** codes

• UKJ11 - Berkshire

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

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#### II.2.5) Award criteria

Cost criterion - Name: 40% / Weighting: 40%

#### II.2.11) Information about options

Options: No

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

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: Yes

Identification of the project

Independent Visitor, Children's Rights & Advocacy Service

## 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>2022/S 000-016699</u>

#### Section V. Award of contract

#### **Title**

Independent Visitor, Children's Rights & Advocacy Service

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

#### V.2) Award of contract

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

13 September 2022

#### V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 3

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: 0

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 3

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

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

National Youth Advocacy Service

Tower House, Tower Road, Birkenhead. Merseyside. CH41 1 FF

Merseyside

Country

**United Kingdom** 

**NUTS** code

• UKJ11 - Berkshire

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: £347,000

Total value of the contract/lot: £347,000

# **Section VI. Complementary information**

# VI.3) Additional information

Independent Visitor, Children's Rights & Advocacy Service.

# VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

West Berkshire Council

Newbury

Country

**United Kingdom**