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Contract

Staff Absence Protection and Reimbursement Services

Crescent Purchasing Consortium Limited
Education

F03: Contract award notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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NUTS code

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Buyer's address

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I.2) Information about joint procurement

The contract involves joint procurement

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

I.5) Main activity

Education

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Staff Absence Protection and Reimbursement Services

Reference number

CA15336 - CPC/LO/01/2025

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 66510000 - Insurance services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

This proposal for Staff Absence Protection is a retender of the current CPC Staff Absence Protection & Reimbursement Framework which expires 23/05/2025.

Any resulting framework from this exercise will be available to all further education institutions, universities, sixth forms, academies, schools, museums and other similar organisations who are current and future CPC members
<https://www.thecpc.ac.uk/members/regions.php> <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/get-information-about-schools>. Local Authorities may wish to use the resulting framework when procuring on behalf of Educational Establishments.

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: £30,000,000

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

Main site or place of performance

United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

CPC intends to put a framework agreement in place with multiple suppliers for the provision of staff absence management through insurance and discretionary mutual arrangements, including risk management services to meet the cost of planned and unexpected staff absence within educational establishments.

Specialist insurance advice for the life of this framework agreement will be provided by our partner Risk2Value Ltd (R2V).

It is expected that policies will be flexible and tailored to individual requirements, which will allow Institutions to determine their own benefit and excess periods. Coverage by insurance providers/brokers or a discretionary mutual arrangement should be offered for (but need not be limited to) absences caused by the following circumstances:

- Accident
- Illness
- Compassionate leave
- Jury service
- Suspension
- Maternity/paternity
- Adoption
- Bereavement
- Mental health

- Stranded staff
- Hazardous sports/winter activities
- Pre-existing conditions
- Other ongo

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Service Coverage, Claims Management, Service Delivery and Social Value / Weighting: 85.00%

Price - Weighting: 15.00%

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: Yes

Description of options

48 month(s) from the commencement date, with 24 initial month(s) and option to extend 2x12 month(s)

II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds

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

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Open procedure

IV.1.3) Information about a framework agreement or a dynamic purchasing system

The procurement involves the establishment of a framework agreement

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

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Section V. Award of contract

Contract No

CA15336

Title

Staff Absence Protection and Reimbursement Services

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

28 May 2025

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 5

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Class Staff Absence

3rd Floor, Jade Building, Biz Space Albion Mills

Bradford

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www.classstaffabsence.co.uk

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

THE EDUCATION MUTUAL LIMITED

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Telephone

+44 1623287840

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

Internet address

www.educationmutual.co.uk

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Schools Advisory Service

Trigg house, 11 Maisies way

Derbyshire

DE55 2DS

Email

mark@uk-sas.co.uk

Telephone

+44 1773814400

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

Internet address

www.schooladvice.co.uk

The contractor is an SME

Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Schools UK

1A Moor Road, Schools UK

Leeds

LS6 4BG

Email

jamie@schoolsuk.com

Telephone

+44 7810320888

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

Internet address

www.schoolsuk.com

The contractor is an SME

No

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £30,000,000

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

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VI.4.2) Body responsible for mediation procedures

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VI.4.3) Review procedure

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

The Contracting Authority will incorporate a minimum of a ten calendar day standstill period at the point that information on the award of contract is communicated to tenderers. If an appeal regarding the award of contract has not been successfully resolved then the Public Contract Regulations 2015, provide for aggrieved parties who have been harmed or are at risk of harm, by breach of the rules to take action in the High Court. Any such action must be brought promptly

VI.4.4) Service from which information about the review procedure may be obtained

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