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Contract

Social Enterprise Business Accelerator

South Lanarkshire Council

F03: Contract award notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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Buyer's address

https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA00410

I.2) Information about joint procurement

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Regional or local authority

I.5) Main activity

Other activity

Social Enterprise Accelerator Programme

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Social Enterprise Business Accelerator

Reference number

SL/CE/23/030

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 80521000 - Training programme services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

South Lanarkshire Council's Community and Enterprise Resources, Enterprise and Sustainable Development Services required to appoint a suitably qualified and experienced service provider to deliver a Social Enterprise Accelerator Programme. The programme required to be completed within financial year 2023/2024, with the potential to extend the programme should additional funding become available to the Council.

The Social Enterprise Business Accelerator will deliver entrepreneurial training, upskilling and business support for leaders of Social Enterprises and Enterprising Third Sector Organisations based in South Lanarkshire.

The programme will be delivered through a mix of online and in person sessions.

Using the Council's community benefit matrix, the Council calculated that the minimum total of community benefit points which must be delivered under this contract is a minimum of 40 Community Benefit points.

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: £160,000

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 80521000 - Training programme services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKM95 - South Lanarkshire

Main site or place of performance

South Lanarkshire

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

An Open Tendering Procedure was published on PCS-T on 14th June 2023 with a closing date of 26th July 2023 at 12 noon.

Tenders were invited on a Price / Quality basis. The mechanism for assessing tenders was comprehensively detailed within the 'Evaluation of Tenders' document contained within the tender process but can be summarised as follows:

Stage 1 - Qualification Response

Stage 2 - Technical Response

Stage 3 - Commercial Response

Stage 1 - Bidders were required to complete a Single Procurement Document (SPD) as part of the Qualification envelope self-declaring that they meet the criteria requirements.

The SPD (Scotland) submitted by each bidder was accepted as preliminary evidence, in the form of a declaration, to confirm that:

- none of the mandatory or discretionary exclusion grounds apply
- if any of the mandatory or discretionary grounds apply the self-cleansing measures that have been taken; and

- the bidder meets the relevant selection criteria

All mandatory and discretionary exclusions grounds were assessed on a PASS/FAIL basis. SPD (Scotland) selection questions 4B.4, 4B.5 and 4C.1.2 were also assessed on a PASS/FAIL basis. The Council's minimum requirements for each of these criteria were described within the Contract Notice.

Stage 2 - Bidders were required to complete a Technical response on the following technical criteria:

2.1.2 Project Approach

2.1.3 Recruitment Process

2.1.4 Delivery / Key Milestones

2.2.2 Community Benefits

2.3.1 Fair Work First

Stage 3 - Bidders were required to complete a Commercial response.

The successful Bidder was the one which achieved the highest combined quality / price score provided that all of the selection criteria contained within the Qualification Envelope, as detailed within the Contract Notice, was provided, and verified by the Council as being compliant.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Technical / Weighting: 60

Price - 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: No

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

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Section V. Award of contract

Contract No

SLC/CE/23/030

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

2 October 2023

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 6

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 6

Number of tenders received from tenderers from other EU Member States: 0

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 6

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 6

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Inspirent Ltd

Atrium Business Centre, North Caldeen Road

Coatbridge

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Telephone

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Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKM84 - North Lanarkshire

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £76,000

V.2.5) Information about subcontracting

The contract is likely to be subcontracted

Value or proportion likely to be subcontracted to third parties

Proportion: 30 %

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

The estimated value noted within the contract notice takes account of the optional extension.

Community Benefits

Inspirent Ltd offered 40 Community Benefit points by delivering the following:

- Training opportunity x1 (20 points)
- Young person engagement x2 (20 points)

The provision of these Community Benefits will be electronically recorded and monitored as part of the Council's Performance Appraisal process.

Fair Work First

Inspirent Ltd confirmed they are committed to fair working practices.

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VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

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