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Contract

CPCA - Adult Education Budget (AEB)

Cambridgeshire & Peterborough Combined Authority

F03: Contract award notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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Region code

UKH1 - East Anglia

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Main address

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Buyer's address

<https://cambridgeshirepeterborough-ca.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

CPCA - Adult Education Budget (AEB)

Reference number

DN561786

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 80000000 - Education and training services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

The Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Combined Authority (the CPCA) covers the Local Authority areas of Cambridgeshire County Council, Cambridge City Council, Peterborough City Council, Fenland District Council, Huntingdonshire District Council, East Cambridgeshire District Council and South Cambridgeshire District Council.

The CPCA intends to procure high quality adult education and training. CPCA are seeking to build effective contractual relationships and continue to implement local flexibilities through our devolution agreement. Successful training providers will deliver contracts for services that meet our quality standards and delivery expectations aligned to the skills needs of the CPCA region. Through the tendering process successful providers will demonstrate an understanding of our local authority areas, the needs of resident learners and employers, and how they would work alongside our FE Colleges and Local Authority grant funded organisations to add value to the local curriculum offer for CPCA residents.

From the 2019/20 academic year, the CPCA has held responsibility for the regions share of devolved Adult Education Budget (AEB) and how it is delivered. The AEB aims to engage adults and provide them with the skills and learning needed for work or further learning. In addition, it will improve employability skills including communication, self-confidence and attitude to work and enable people to contribute to the social wellbeing of their community.

In addition to the AEB, further government funding from the National Skills Fund: Level 3 adult Offer has been delegated to the CPCA for Level 3 Courses for the 2022/23

academic year.

The CPCAs vision is to increase skills and career progression through a network of providers operating as a 'skills escalator', in enabling adults to increase their skills levels, their productivity, and quality of life, by progressing from lower to higher levels of learning and earnings.

A headline focus of this Commissioning round is to:

- Increase the proportion of Peterborough and Fenland residents with a Level 3 qualification
- Reduce the number of Peterborough and Fenland residents with no formal qualifications
- Target residents living in the relatively most deprived postcodes in the sub-regions, including wider Cambridgeshire and parts of Cambridge City

CPCAs overall commissioning approach will involve a combination of plan-led commissioning with grant providers and procured provision delivered through Contract for Services. This opportunity is concerned solely with procured activity.

We expect that funding for the new Multiply program will be allocated to the CPCA for a three-year period from 2022/23 – 2024-25 academic year. Please be aware that at the time of publication, funding for Multiply has not been confirmed however is being included in this procurement to enable us to efficiently plan for and procure providers ready for launch in Autumn 2022.

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: £4,500,000

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKH1 - East Anglia

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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Under the Light Touch Regime, the Authority has will be using an amended version of the Restricted Procedure with an SSQ and the inclusion of a negotiation meeting, after selection of the preferred Tenders, at which they can agree their preferred courses and learner numbers before completing the process and signing a contract.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 100

Price - Weighting: 0

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

Competitive procedure with negotiation

IV.1.8) Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: No

IV.2) Administrative information

IV.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure

Notice number: [2022/S 000-007956](#)

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

30 August 2022

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 31

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

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 0

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Back 2 Work Complete Training

Manchester

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKD3 - Greater Manchester

The contractor is an SME

Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Capita

London

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKI - London

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

eVolve your future Limited

Northamptonshire

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKF24 - West Northamptonshire

The contractor is an SME

Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Futures Group Ltd

Nottinghamshire

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKF14 - Nottingham

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

GNR Training Ltd

South Yorkshire

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKE3 - South Yorkshire

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Ixion Holdings (Contracts) Limited

West Midlands

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKG3 - West Midlands

The contractor is an SME

Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Learning Curve Group Limited

Durham

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKC14 - Durham CC

The contractor is an SME

Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

MPCT

CARDIFF

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKL22 - Cardiff and Vale of Glamorgan

The contractor is an SME

Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Pathway First Limited t/a Pathway Group

Birmingham

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKG31 - Birmingham

The contractor is an SME

Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

PeoplePlus Group Ltd

Nottingham

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKF14 - Nottingham

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

The Portland Training Company Limited

Sheffield

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKE3 - South Yorkshire

The contractor is an SME

Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Runway Training Ltd

Tonbridge

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKJ4 - Kent

The contractor is an SME

Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Seetec Business Technology Centre Limited

Hockley

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKH3 - Essex

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Steadfast Training Ltd

Spalding

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKF3 - Lincolnshire

The contractor is an SME

Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

TCHC

Watford

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKG11 - Herefordshire, County of

The contractor is an SME

Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

The Construction Skills People Ltd

Chesterfield

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKF1 - Derbyshire and Nottinghamshire

The contractor is an SME

Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

The Skills Network

Selby

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKE2 - North Yorkshire

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £4,500,000

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

High Court

London

WC2A 2LL

Country

United Kingdom