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## **Post Office Horizon Inquiry Expert Witness Services**

Business Energy and Industrial Strategy

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### **Section I: Contracting authority/entity**

#### **I.1) Name and addresses**

Business Energy and Industrial Strategy

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#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **Region code**

UKI32 - Westminster

**Justification for not providing organisation identifier**

Not on any register

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/department-for-business-energy-and-industrial-strategy>

**I.4) Type of the contracting authority**

Ministry or any other national or federal authority

**I.5) Main activity**

General public services

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**Section II: Object**

**II.1) Scope of the procurement**

**II.1.1) Title**

Post Office Horizon Inquiry Expert Witness Services

**II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 71319000 - Expert witness services

**II.1.3) Type of contract**

Services

**II.1.4) Short description**

Services to analyse c. 70,000 documents, identifying significant points relating to the Post Office Horizon Inquiry, and produce a written report which sets out the key points, and provide Expert Witness services during hearings in October 2022 through to February

2023.

#### **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: £750,000

### **II.2) Description**

#### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UKI - London

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

Services to analyse c. 70,000 documents, identifying significant points relating to the Post Office Horizon Inquiry, and produce a written report which sets out the key points, and provide Expert Witness services during hearings in October 2022 through to February 2023.

#### **II.2.5) Award criteria**

Price

#### **II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: No

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## **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

- The procurement falls outside the scope of application of the regulations

Explanation:

An Expression of Interest process was undertaken through the Crown Commercial Service framework 'Management Consultancy Framework 3' (MCF3).

0 bidders responded positively, due to lack of capability, capacity, previous experience, or lack of conflict of interest.

Due to the urgency of this requirement, and the lack of an available market, it was deemed appropriate to award directly to Alix Partners, who were identified through internal research.

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

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## **Section V. Award of contract/concession**

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

### **V.2) Award of contract/concession**

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

12 October 2022

#### **V.2.2) Information about tenders**

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

#### **V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor/concessionaire**

Alix Partners

London

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKI - London

Companies House

OC360308

The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

No

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

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot/concession: £750,000

Total value of the contract/lot/concession: £750,000

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.3) Additional information**

An Expression of Interest process was carried out through the Crown Commercial Services Framework 'Management Consultancy Framework 3' (MCF3).

0 bidders stated their interest, both in terms of capability, lack of conflict of interest, previous experience or capacity. Therefore, a direct award was deemed appropriate.

### **VI.4) Procedures for review**

#### **VI.4.1) Review body**

Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy

London

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Country

United Kingdom