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Contract

Independent Reviewing Officers (IRO) and Foster Carer Reviewing Officers (FCRO)

London Borough of Brent

F03: Contract award notice

Notice identifier: 2024/S 000-029872

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

London Borough of Brent

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Region code

UK - United Kingdom

Internet address(es)

Main address

<http://www.brent.gov.uk/>

Buyer's address

<http://www.brent.gov.uk/>

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

Social protection

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Independent Reviewing Officers (IRO) and Foster Carer Reviewing Officers (FCRO)

Reference number

DN723558

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 85000000 - Health and social work services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

The Council is seeking tenders for the Provision of Statutory Children Looked After Reviews - Independent Reviewing Officers and Annual Foster Carer Reviews.

The Service Provider will assist the Reviewing team in Brent by providing Independent Reviewing Officers (IRO) to chair and participate in Children Looked After (CLA) reviews and Foster Carer reviews (FCR).

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: £703,800

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 85300000 - Social work and related services
- 85311300 - Welfare services for children and young people

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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The Service Provider will assist the Reviewing team in Brent by providing Independent Reviewing Officers (IRO) to chair and participate in Children Looked After (CLA) reviews and Foster Carer reviews (FCR).

The primary responsibilities of the IRO will be to incorporate the thoughts/voice of the child in their care plan and review recommendations to ensure that they are targeted, achievable and enable positive outcomes. The IRO will be responsible for submitting all appropriate documentation, within agreed timeframes and to standard, and hold the Local Authority to account for their performance in light of the legal responsibilities towards the CLA.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Social Value / Weighting: 10

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 50

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

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

18 July 2024

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 2

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: 2

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Aidhour Ltd

47 Bedwin Street

Salisbury

SP1 3UT

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £703,800

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

High Court

Strand, London

WC2A 2LL

Country

United Kingdom