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Contract

CCP120 Provision of Solicitor Agents

Derbyshire County Council

F03: Contract award notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-03a2b7

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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Main address

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Buyer's address

<http://www.derbyshire.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

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Reference number

DN654673

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 79100000 - Legal services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Derbyshire County Council in partnership with Nottinghamshire County Council, Derby City Council and Nottingham City Council (called 'the Local Authorities' in this Specification) are seeking to enter into a framework contact with a range of firms of solicitors (each called 'the Agent/s' in this Specification) to deliver legal services in respect of Children Act 1989 and other Child related proceedings. The services must be delivered in accordance with this Specification and the other documents in the tender pack, including the Agreement which the Agent will be required to sign if your firm is appointed to the framework.

The Agents must demonstrate and deliver value for money having regard to quality and price. The joint expenditure for all four authorities is in the region of £1,000,000 per annum.

The contract will run from the date of award for an initial 3-year period with options to extend for up to 2 x 1-year periods.

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: £5,000,000

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKF1 - Derbyshire and Nottinghamshire

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 95%

Quality criterion - Name: Supplier Information Security / Weighting: 5%

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

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: No

IV.2) Administrative information

IV.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure

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Section V. Award of contract

Contract No

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Lot No

1

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

13 September 2023

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 3

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 0

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: 3

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Dodd's Solicitors LLP

32 Friar Lane

Leicester

LE1 5RA

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKF2 - Leicestershire, Rutland and Northamptonshire

The contractor is an SME

No

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £5,000,000

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V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Stephenson's Solicitors LLP

Wigan Investment Centre, Waterside Drive

Wigan

WN3 5BA

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKD3 - Greater Manchester

The contractor is an SME

No

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V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Straw and Pearce

18 Rectory Place

Loughborough

LE11 1UU

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKF2 - Leicestershire, Rutland and Northamptonshire

The contractor is an SME

No

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £5,000,000

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Derbyshire County Council

County Hall

Matlock

DE4 3AG

Country

United Kingdom

VI.4.3) Review procedure

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

Derbyshire County Council will operate a minimum 10 (or 15 calendar day if non-electronic or fax methods used) standstill period at the point information on the award of the contract is communicated to the relevant economic operators. Debriefing by the Council shall be in accordance with the Public Contracts Regulation 2015 (as amended) (the Regulations). Such information should be requested from the addressee in Section 1.1. If an appeal regarding the award of the contract has not been successfully resolved the Regulations provide for the aggrieved parties who are of the opinion that they have been harmed or are at risk of harm by a breach of the Regulations, to take action in the High Court (England, Wales and Northern Ireland). Any such action must be brought as soon as possible.