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Contract

Worcestershire Drug & Alcohol Service

Worcestershire County Council

F03: Contract award notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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Region code

UKG12 - Worcestershire

Justification for not providing organisation identifier

Not on any register

Internet address(es)

Main address

<https://www.worcestershire.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

Worcestershire Drug & Alcohol Service

Reference number

HEA23036

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 85312500 - Rehabilitation services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Worcestershire County Council has commissioned an integrated drug and alcohol specialist treatment and recovery service for adults and young people living in Worcestershire.

Worcestershire County Council have followed Direct Award Process C for the award of the Worcestershire Drug & Alcohol Service contract. This process has been undertaken in accordance with the Health Care Services (Provider Selection Regime) Regulations 2023 and the Council's Constitution and Standing Orders.

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: £22,736,880

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKG12 - Worcestershire

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Worcestershire County Council has commissioned an integrated drug and alcohol specialist treatment and recovery service for adults and young people living in Worcestershire.

The main purposes of the service are to:

- Prevent deaths and harm to people who are drug or alcohol dependent.
- Reduce unmet need (rate and number, all drug types).
- Support people to overcome substance dependence: complete their treatment successfully and be substance-free or sustain a reduction in use.
- Support people to improve their physical and mental health and wellbeing.

In accordance with the Health Care Services (Provider Selection Regime) Regulations 2023, Worcestershire County Council's intends to apply Direct Award Process C to award the Worcestershire Drug & Alcohol Service Contract to its existing provider, Cranstoun Services Limited.

The duration of the contract will be 6 years from 01 April 2025 to 31 March 2031 and will have an approximate lifetime value of £22,736,880.00.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: The existing provider is satisfying the original contract and will likely satisfy the proposed contract to a sufficient standard. / Weighting: 100

Price - Weighting: 0

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: No

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:

This is a Provider Selection Regime (PSR) intention to award notice. The awarding of this contract is subject to the Health Care Services (Provider Selection Regime) Regulations 2023. For the avoidance of doubt, the provisions of the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 do not apply to this award. The standstill period begins on the day after the publication of this notice. Representations by providers must be made to the relevant authority by 02 October 2024. This contract has not yet formally been awarded; this notice serves as an intention to award under the PSR.

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

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

11 September 2024

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 1

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Cranstoun Services Limited

Thames Mews, Portsmouth Road

Esher, Surrey

KT10 9AD

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKJ - South East (England)

Companies House

12313944

The contractor is an SME

No

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £22,736,880

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

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A Record of Officer Executive Decision was published on 14 February 2024, to approve the exploration of Direct Award Process C in relation to Worcestershire's Drug & Alcohol service. This was approved by the Director of Public Health.

Decision Making for the approval of Direct Award (Process C) in relation to Worcestershire's Drug & Alcohol Service is directed by WCC's Commercial Governance Board. Board Members include WCC's Chief Executive Officer, Chief Financial Officer, Head of Commercial, Principal Contracts Solicitor and relevant Directorate Senior Officers (e.g. Director of Public Health). Final approval was gained by the Commercial Board on 11 September 2024.

WCC manages potential conflicts of interest by recording declarations of Senior Officers at the beginning of the Commercial Governance Board. Commissioners involved in designing the service are also asked to declare any known conflicts of interest before participating in re-commissioning activity or making any recommendations. No conflicts of interest were identified among individuals involved in making the decision in relation to this service.

The key criteria was considered and weighted as follows:

Quality and innovation - 20%

Value - 20%

Integration, collaboration and service sustainability - 20%

Improving access, reducing health inequalities and facilitating choice - 30%

Social Value - 10%

The relative importance of each of the key criteria was established by starting from an equal spread and, upon examination of the descriptors, it was agreed that emphasis needed to be placed upon the National/Local requirements (OHID, Dame Carole Black) to ensure delivery of continued improvement. Thus improving access, reducing health inequalities and facilitating choice was awarded 30% of the available weighting and social value was awarded 10%, with remaining criteria being deemed of equal importance. Whilst social value holds the lowest weighting, it remains of vital importance in demonstrating and achieving social, economic and environmental impact. Significant social value can be gained, and is already gained, from a contract of this size and nature.

WCC was satisfied with the performance of Cranstoun Services Limited against the key criteria in relation to the existing contract. WCC was also satisfied that future performance would meet the requirements of the key criteria. A Service Provider Assessment was completed, documenting performance against the key criteria, as well as assessing against basic selection criteria to ensure the Service Provider had the economic and technical ability to perform the contract.

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

The High Court of England, Wales and Northern Ireland

London

Country

United Kingdom