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Contract

TC1141 - Apprenticeship Training and Assessment Providers

Manchester City Council

F03: Contract award notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-04444b

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

Manchester City Council

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Manchester

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Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UKD3 - Greater Manchester

Internet address(es)

Main address

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

Buyer's address

<http://www.manchester.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**

TC1141 - Apprenticeship Training and Assessment Providers

Reference number

DN713462

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 80500000 - Training services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

- To provide a route to buying Apprenticeship training and assessment that complies with Public Contract Regulations (2015).

- To provide a route that aligns with the Department for Education (DFE) funding requirements.

- To ensure only those providers who meet the standards expected by Manchester City Council building on the minimum standards set by the Apprenticeship Provider and Assessment Register (APAR) deliver apprenticeships.

- To create a system that allows the authority easy and speedy access to Apprenticeship training and assessment providers.

- To create a system that allows additional Apprenticeship training and assessment providers to join at any time as the authority's requirements change.

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.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 80500000 - Training services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKD3 - Greater Manchester

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Further details are set out in the procurement documents.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 70

Quality criterion - Name: Social Value / Weighting: 20

Quality criterion - Name: Zero Carbon and Environment / Weighting: 10

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

II.2.14) Additional information

The Council is using the e-business portal known as the Chest. Applicants will need to register their details at the following link www.the-chest.org.uk. Applicants will need to electronically submit their completed tender documents, including the online questionnaire, via the online portal by 11 am on 2nd April 2024 as referred to in IV.2.2.

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: Yes

IV.2) Administrative information

IV.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure

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Section V. Award of contract

Contract No

TC1141

Lot No

0

Title

TC1141 - Apprenticeship Training and Assessment Providers

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

9 September 2024

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 26

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 8

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

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 26

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 26

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

3T Energy Group

Unit 5 Mercury way, Trafford Park,

Manchester

M41 7LY

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKD3 - Greater Manchester

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Apprentice Team Ltd

12 Saltergate,

Chesterfield, Derbyshire

S40 1UT

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKD3 - Greater Manchester

The contractor is an SME

Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Babington Business College Ltd

55 Colmore Row,

Birmingham.

B3 2AA

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKD3 - Greater Manchester

The contractor is an SME

Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

BPP Professional Education

5th Floor St James's Building, 79 Oxford Street,

Manchester,

M1 6FQ

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKD3 - Greater Manchester

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Cambridge Spark

5th Floor, Caledonia House, 223 Pentonville Rd,

London

N1 9NG

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKD3 - Greater Manchester

The contractor is an SME

Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Captiva Learning Limited

4 Cam Road,

London

E15 2SN

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKD3 - Greater Manchester

The contractor is an SME

Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Damar Limited

111 Piccadilly,

Manchester,

M1 2HY

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKD3 - Greater Manchester

The contractor is an SME

Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Firebrand Training

5th Floor St James's Building, 79 Oxford Street,

Manchester,

M1 6FQ

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKD3 - Greater Manchester

The contractor is an SME

Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Instep UK Ltd

St James Business Centre, Wilderspool Causeway,

Warrington, England,

WA4 6PS

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKD3 - Greater Manchester

The contractor is an SME

Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Manchester Adult Education

Abraham Moss Adult Learning Centre, Crescent Rd, Crumpsall,

Manchester

M8 5UF

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKD3 - Greater Manchester

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Manchester Metropolitan University RES Office

The Manchester Metropolitan University, All Saints,

Manchester,

M15 6BH

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKD3 - Greater Manchester

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Multiverse

2 Eastbourne Terrace, Floors 5+6,

London,

W2 6LG

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKD3 - Greater Manchester

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

NowSkills Limited

1st floor Churchgate House, Churchgate,

Bolton, Greater Manchester,

BL1 1HL

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKD3 - Greater Manchester

The contractor is an SME

Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

QA

8th Floor, St James Buildings, 79 Oxford Street,

Manchester,

M1 6FQ

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKD3 - Greater Manchester

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Salford City College

Apprenticeships at Salford City College, Frontier House, Merchants Quay,

Salford,

M50 3SR

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKD3 - Greater Manchester

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Staffordshire University

Staffordshire University, College Road,

Stoke on Trent,

ST4 2DE

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKD3 - Greater Manchester

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

The Growth Company Limited

Lee House, 90 Great Bridgewater Street,

Manchester,

M1 5JW

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKD3 - Greater Manchester

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

University of Central Lancashire

Preston,

PR1 2HE

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKD3 - Greater Manchester

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

University of Salford

5th Floor Maxwell, The Crescent,

Salford,

M5 4WT

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKD3 - Greater Manchester

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.3) Additional information

The Council is using the e-business portal known as the Chest. Applicants will need to register their details at the following link www.the-chest.org.uk. Once registered, applicants will be emailed a log-in and password which will allow them to gain access to the documentation relating to this opportunity. Applicants will need to electronically submit their completed tender documents, via the online portal by 11 am on 2nd April 2024 as referred to in IV.2.2. Any clarification queries must also be submitted via the Chest website by the date referred to in the tender documentation.

The contracts will be for 2 years, expected to commence on 22nd May 2024 with an option to extend for up to an additional 2 years.

The successful supplier will be required to actively participate in the economic and social regeneration of the locality of, and surroundings of, the place of delivery of the contract.

Therefore, selection and award criteria, specification requirements and contract performance conditions may relate in particular to social and environmental considerations as relevant to the subject matter of this project.

The Council reserves the right not to award the framework, as a result of this Contract

Notice. The Council shall not be liable for any costs or expenses incurred by any organisation in responding to this notice or in tendering for the proposed framework.

All submissions must be in English, with any clarifications or discussions conducted in English. Tenders and supporting documents must be priced in pounds sterling and all payments under the proposed contract will be made in pounds sterling.

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

The High Court (England, Wales and Northern Ireland)

The Strand

London

WC2A 2LL

Country

United Kingdom

VI.4.3) Review procedure

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

The Council will incorporate a minimum 10 calendar day standstill period at the point information on the award of the framework is communicated to tenderers prior to entering the framework. If an appeal regarding the award of a framework has not been successfully resolved, the Public Contract Regulations 2015 provide for aggrieved parties who have been harmed or are at risk of harm by a breach of the rules to take action in the High Court (England, Wales and Northern Ireland)