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Award

Kent Victims Engagement and Support Service

The Police and Crime Commissioner for Kent

F15: Voluntary ex ante transparency notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-02ff9b

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Section I: Contracting authority/entity

I.1) Name and addresses

The Police and Crime Commissioner for Kent

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Country

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NUTS code

UK - United Kingdom

National registration number

N/A

Internet address(es)

Main address

<http://www.kent.police.uk>

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

I.5) Main activity

Public order and safety

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Kent Victims Engagement and Support Service

Reference number

2015 039

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 85312300 - Guidance and counselling services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

This contract is for the provision of a Victims Engagement Support Service for the county of Kent.

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: £1,127,818

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 85312400 - Welfare services not delivered through residential institutions
- 85312500 - Rehabilitation services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKJ4 - Kent

Main site or place of performance

Kent

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

This contract is the core victim referral service in Kent, which provides the offer of support for those that report the crime to the Police but also for those that have been a victim of crime but don't wish to report to the Police

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

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:

Police and Crime Commissioners are required to have a core referral service for victims of crime as part of the devolved victim services responsibilities from the Ministry of Justice.

The current contract was let in 2016 when there was limited data and delivery options available. Since this time the availability of data and its quality has vastly improved, plus different delivery options have become available.

To ensure we commission a service that is, not only driven by evidence but relevant throughout the lifetime of the contract we need to undertake detailed scoping, which should have already commenced. However, due to the unprecedented demand on the PCC's Commissioning Team, which in part is related to the impact of COVID-19, we have not been able to undertake the required project planning for this re-tender. In addition, COVID-19 has resulted in the PCC elections scheduled for May 2020 being postponed to May 2021 and thus delaying decisions for purdah. Additional time is required to look at alternative commissioning strategies and without this research it will be difficult to provide assurance and value for money on any new contract. The intention is to commence a new procurement process in early 2022.

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

Notice number: [2015/S 169-308480](#)

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

1 December 2021

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

Victim Support

50 - 60 Hallam Street

London

W1W 6JL

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKI - London

The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

No

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

Total value of the contract/lot/concession: £1,127,818

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

The High Court

The Strand

London

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Country

United Kingdom

VI.4.2) Body responsible for mediation procedures

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