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Contract

Framework Agreement for the Provision of Apprenticeship Services for Somerset Council

Somerset Council

F03: Contract award notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-038789

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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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

Framework Agreement for the Provision of Apprenticeship Services for Somerset Council

Reference number

DN642265

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 80000000 - Education and training services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

The purpose of this procurement is to contract with multiple providers to deliver an Apprenticeship Service to eligible people.

The Authority requires a service provider, or providers, to manage the delivery of its Apprenticeship programme. The Apprenticeships to be provided via this procurement exercise are funded via the Authority's Apprenticeship Levy.

Applicants must be able to access Education and Skills Funding Agency (ESFA) levy funding for apprentices and listed on the Register of Apprenticeship Training Providers throughout this contract.

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

II.1.7) Total value of the procurement (excluding VAT)

Value excluding VAT: £4,000,000

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Legal, Finance and Accounting

Lot No

1

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 80000000 - Education and training services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKK23 - Somerset

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Lot 1 - Legal, Finance and Accounting

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 100

Cost criterion - Name: Pricing Submission – Compliance with funding (Pass/Fail) / 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) Description

II.2.1) Title

Sales, Marketing and Procurement

Lot No

2

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 80000000 - Education and training services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKK23 - Somerset

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Lot 2 - Sales, Marketing and Procurement

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 100

Cost criterion - Name: Pricing Submission – Compliance with funding (Pass/Fail) / 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) Description

II.2.1) Title

Business and Administration

Lot No

3

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 80000000 - Education and training services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKK23 - Somerset

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Lot 3 - Business and Administration

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 100

Cost criterion - Name: Pricing Submission – Compliance with funding (Pass/Fail) / 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) Description

II.2.1) Title

Catering, Hospitality and Facilities Management

Lot No

4

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 80000000 - Education and training services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKK23 - Somerset

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Lot 4 - Catering, Hospitality and Facilities Management

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 100

Cost criterion - Name: Pricing Submission – Compliance with funding (Pass/Fail) /
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) Description

II.2.1) Title

Childcare and Education

Lot No

5

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 80000000 - Education and training services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKK23 - Somerset

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Lot 5 - Childcare and Education

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 100

Cost criterion - Name: Pricing Submission – Compliance with funding (Pass/Fail) /
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) Description

II.2.1) Title

Construction, Engineering, Manufacturing, Transport & Logistics

Lot No

6

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 80000000 - Education and training services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKK23 - Somerset

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Lot 6 - Construction, Engineering, Manufacturing, Transport & Logistics

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 100

Cost criterion - Name: Pricing Submission – Compliance with funding (Pass/Fail) / 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) Description

II.2.1) Title

Digital, Creative and Design

Lot No

7

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 80000000 - Education and training services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKK23 - Somerset

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Lot 7 - Digital, Creative and Design

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 100

Cost criterion - Name: Pricing Submission – Compliance with funding (Pass/Fail) / 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) Description

II.2.1) Title

Health, Social Care, Science and Protective Services

Lot No

8

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 80000000 - Education and training services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKK23 - Somerset

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Lot 8 - Health, Social Care, Science and Protective Services

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 100

Cost criterion - Name: Pricing Submission – Compliance with funding (Pass/Fail) / 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) Description

II.2.1) Title

Agriculture, Environmental and Animal Care

Lot No

9

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 80000000 - Education and training services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKK23 - Somerset

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Lot 9 - Agriculture, Environmental and Animal Care

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 100

Cost criterion - Name: Pricing Submission – Compliance with funding (Pass/Fail) /
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

Notice number: [2022/S 000-033177](#)

Section V. Award of contract

Title

Award to Lot 1

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

15 August 2023

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 27

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 12

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: 27

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Accountancy Learning Ltd

Southernhay Lodge, Barnfield Crescent,

Exeter, Devon,

EX1 1QT

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKK43 - Devon CC

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Lowest offer: £1 / Highest offer: £4,000,000 taken into consideration

Section V. Award of contract

Title

Award to lots 1, 2, 3 and 7

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

15 August 2023

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 27

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 12

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: 27

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Babington Business College Ltd

55 Colmore Row,

Birmingham

B3 2AA

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKG31 - Birmingham

The contractor is an SME

No

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

Lowest offer: £1 / Highest offer: £4,000,000 taken into consideration

Section V. Award of contract

Title

Award to Lots 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 9

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

29 August 2023

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 27

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 12

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: 27

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Bridgwater and Taunton College

Bath Road

Bridgwater

TA6 4PZ

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKK23 - Somerset

The contractor is an SME

No

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

Lowest offer: £1 / Highest offer: £4,000,000 taken into consideration

Section V. Award of contract

Title

Award to lot 7

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

15 August 2023

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 27

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 12

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: 27

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Cambridge Spark Limited

Salisbury House, Station Road,

Cambridge,

CB1 2LA

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKH12 - Cambridgeshire CC

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Lowest offer: £1 / Highest offer: £4,000,000 taken into consideration

Section V. Award of contract

Title

Award to lots 1, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

16 August 2023

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 27

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 12

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: 27

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Exeter College

Hele Road

Exeter

EX4 4JS

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKK43 - Devon CC

The contractor is an SME

No

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

Lowest offer: £1 / Highest offer: £4,000,000 taken into consideration

Section V. Award of contract

Title

Award to Lots 2 and 3

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

16 August 2023

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 27

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 12

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: 27

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Firebrand Training Limited

27, Old Gloucester Street,

London

WC1N 3AX

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKI - London

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Lowest offer: £1 / Highest offer: £4,000,000 taken into consideration

Section V. Award of contract

Title

Award to Lot 8

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

23 August 2023

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 27

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 12

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: 27

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Marr Corporation Limited (T/A T2 Group Limited)

Melrose Hall Cypress Drive St Mellons

Cardiff South Glamorgan

CF3 0EG

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKL22 - Cardiff and Vale of Glamorgan

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Lowest offer: £1 / Highest offer: £4,000,000 taken into consideration

Section V. Award of contract

Title

Award to Lot 7

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

15 August 2023

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 27

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 12

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: 27

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

QA Limited

International House, 1 St Katharine's Way

London

E1W 1UN

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKI - London

The contractor is an SME

No

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

Lowest offer: £1 / Highest offer: £4,000,000 taken into consideration

Section V. Award of contract

Title

Award to Lot 5

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

22 August 2023

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 27

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 12

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: 27

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Richard Huish Trust

South Road,

Taunton

Somerset

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKK23 - Somerset

The contractor is an SME

No

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

Lowest offer: £1 / Highest offer: £4,000,000 taken into consideration

Section V. Award of contract

Title

Award to Lots 2, 3 and 5

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

15 August 2023

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 27

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 12

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: 27

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Somerset Skills and Learning CIC

Courtenay House, Blackbrook Park Ave

Taunton

TA1 2PX

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKK23 - Somerset

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Lowest offer: £1 / Highest offer: £4,000,000 taken into consideration

Section V. Award of contract

Title

Award to Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 6 and 8

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

15 August 2023

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 27

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 12

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: 27

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

South West Association of Training Providers

Goodwood House, Blackbrook Park Avenue

Taunton

TA1 2PX

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKK23 - Somerset

The contractor is an SME

No

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

Lowest offer: £1 / Highest offer: £4,000,000 taken into consideration

Section V. Award of contract

Title

Award to Lot 4

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

12 September 2023

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 27

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 12

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: 27

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Strode College

Church Road

Street

BA16 0AB

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKK23 - Somerset

The contractor is an SME

No

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

Lowest offer: £1 / Highest offer: £4,000,000 taken into consideration

Section V. Award of contract

Title

Award to Lots 2, 3, 5 and 8

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

15 August 2023

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 27

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 12

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: 27

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Support Services for Education (Somerset Centre for Integrated Learning)

Dillington House

Ilminster

TA19 9DT

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKK23 - Somerset

The contractor is an SME

No

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

Lowest offer: £1 / Highest offer: £4,000,000 taken into consideration

Section V. Award of contract

Title

Award to Lot 8

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

24 October 2023

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 27

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 12

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: 27

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

The Open University

Walton Hall

Milton Keynes

MK7 6AA

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKJ12 - Milton Keynes

The contractor is an SME

No

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

Lowest offer: £1 / Highest offer: £4,000,000 taken into consideration

Section V. Award of contract

Title

Award to Lot 6

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

17 August 2023

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 27

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 12

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: 27

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

University of Exeter

Northcote House, the Queen's Drive

Exeter

EX4 4QJ

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKK4 - Devon

The contractor is an SME

No

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

Lowest offer: £1 / Highest offer: £4,000,000 taken into consideration

Section V. Award of contract

Title

Award to Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

15 August 2023

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 27

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 12

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: 27

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

University of Gloucestershire

Fullwood House University of Gloucestershire, The Park

Cheltenham

GL50 2RH

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKK13 - Gloucestershire

The contractor is an SME

No

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

Lowest offer: £1 / Highest offer: £4,000,000 taken into consideration

Section V. Award of contract

Title

Award to Lot 9

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

18 August 2023

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 27

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 12

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: 27

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

University of the West of England

Frenchay Campus, Coldharbour Lane,

Bristol

BS16 1QY

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKK11 - Bristol, City of

The contractor is an SME

No

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

Lowest offer: £1 / Highest offer: £4,000,000 taken into consideration

Section V. Award of contract

Title

Award to Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8 and 9

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

15 August 2023

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 27

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 12

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: 27

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Weston College for Further and Higher Education

Knightstone Road

Weston Super Mare

BS23 2AL

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKK23 - Somerset

The contractor is an SME

No

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

Lowest offer: £1 / Highest offer: £4,000,000 taken into consideration

Section V. Award of contract

Title

Award to Lots 4 and 6

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

15 August 2023

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 27

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 12

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: 27

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Yeovil College

Mudford Road

Yeovil

BA21 4DR

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKK23 - Somerset

The contractor is an SME

No

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

Lowest offer: £1 / Highest offer: £4,000,000 taken into consideration

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Public Procurement Review Service

Cabinet Office

London

Country

United Kingdom