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## **Pension Software**

Northumbria Police

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### **Section I: Contracting authority/entity**

#### **I.1) Name and addresses**

Northumbria Police

Forth Banks

Newcastle upon Tyne

NE13PH

#### **Contact**

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United Kingdom

**Region code**

UKC22 - Tyneside

**Justification for not providing organisation identifier**

Not on any register

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://www.northumbria.police.uk/>

**I.4) Type of the contracting authority**

Body governed by public law

**I.5) Main activity**

Public order and safety

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**Section II: Object**

**II.1) Scope of the procurement**

**II.1.1) Title**

Pension Software

Reference number

NP0313

**II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 48000000 - Software package and information systems

**II.1.3) Type of contract**

Supplies

#### **II.1.4) Short description**

Northumbria Police require pension software to support the administration of pensions such as pension quotations, annual benefit statements, annual allowance calculations and for bulk data submissions to be sent to the Home Office and Government Actuary's Department to satisfy national reporting requirements.

#### **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: £830,265

### **II.2) Description**

#### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UKC - North East (England)

#### **II.2.4) Description of the procurement**

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#### **II.2.5) Award criteria**

Price

#### **II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: No

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## Section IV. Procedure

### IV.1) Description

#### IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Negotiated without a prior call for competition

- The works, supplies or services can be provided only by a particular economic operator for the following reason:
  - absence of competition for technical reasons

Explanation:

Due to the ongoing complexity of the implementation of the McCloud Remedy Legislation, it is the considered view of the Contracting Authority that there is no alternative option other than to continue to contract with the incumbent supplier at this time. Grounds for justification have been summarised below:

- Complexity and repercussive nature of any change to the current supply chain during implementation of a legislative requirement.
- Continuity of skill and experience to deliver and maintain the current Pension Software.
- Change management of solutions and data transfer/migration at this current time would be both contentious and repercussive to both the Scheme Managers and the Scheme Members.

All efforts have been made to ensure value for money and continuity of service under the direct award approach and any extension or new contract will be subject to the normal contract management and performance processes.

It should be noted that the incumbent software supplier is not party to any accessible national framework. As a result, the Contracting Authority can only proceed on the basis of a Single Tender Action (STA) on the grounds of skill/experience, cost of change and legislative obligation.

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

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## **Section V. Award of contract/concession**

### **Contract No**

NP0313

### **Title**

Pension Software

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

### **V.2) Award of contract/concession**

#### **V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract**

1 October 2024

#### **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**

HEYWOOD LIMITED

2nd Floor, 3 Barrington Road

Altrincham

WA14 1GY

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

Companies House

04161207

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: £830,265

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**Section VI. Complementary information**

**VI.4) Procedures for review**

**VI.4.1) Review body**

Northumbria Police

Newcastle City Centre Police Station, Forth Banks

Newcastle upon Tyne

NE1 3PH

Country

United Kingdom