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Contract

Provision of a SEND Information Advice and Support Service

Sefton Council

F03: Contract award notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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Region code

UKD73 - Sefton

Internet address(es)

Main address

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

Buyer's address

<http://www.sefton.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

Provision of a SEND Information Advice and Support Service

Reference number

DN728746

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 85320000 - Social services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

The purpose of the Service is to provide children and young people aged 0 – 25 years with special educational needs and/or disabilities (SEND) and their parents/carers with free impartial information, advice and support about matters relating to SEND including

information on matters relating to education, health and social care as defined in the SEND

Code of Practice.

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: £390,000

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKD73 - Sefton

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The SENDIASS (special educational needs and disability Information Advice and Support Service) is a statutory service under sections 19(c), 26(3), 32 and 49 of the Children and Families Act 2014

Regulations. The purpose of the Service is to provide children and young people aged 0 – 25

years with special educational needs and/or disabilities (SEND) and their parents/carers

with free impartial information, advice and support about matters relating to SEND including

information on matters relating to education, health and social care as defined in the SEND

Code of Practice.

In the context of the delivery of this service, impartiality is defined as providing factual information about all available options, and advice and support, so that parents/carers of children and young people with SEND and young people with SEND can make informed decisions, without bias, influence or direction, based on the service's ethos or the staff's own

views, beliefs, personal judgements or experiences.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 50

Quality criterion - Name: Social Value / Weighting: 10

Price - Weighting: 40

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: Yes

Description of options

The contract will be for a core period of 24 months (1st November 2024 - 31st October 2026) with one 12-month extension option, therefore 36 months in total.

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.1.8) 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

DN728746

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

25 September 2024

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 2

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 0

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: 2

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

KIDS

182 Chanterlands Avenue

Hull

HU5 4DJ

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKE11 - Kingston upon Hull, City of

The contractor is an SME

No

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £390,000

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

High Court of England and Wales

Royal Courts of Justice, The Strand

London

WC2A 2LL

Country

United Kingdom

VI.4.3) Review procedure

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

Review procedures are as set out in the Public Contracts Regulations 2015.

Proceedings under Public Contract Regulations 2015 are time limited and any such proceedings must be brought in the High Court of England and Wales.