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Contract

DOF – CIVIL SERVICE PENSIONS FUTURE SERVICE DELIVERY

Department of Finance

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Section I: Contracting authority/entity

I.1) Name and addresses

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Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UK - United Kingdom

Internet address(es)

Main address

<https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps>

Buyer's address

<https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps>

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

DOF – CIVIL SERVICE PENSIONS FUTURE SERVICE DELIVERY

Reference number

13078

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 75320000 - Government employee pension schemes

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 72222300 - Information technology services
- 72500000 - Computer-related services
- 72246000 - Systems consultancy services
- 72263000 - Software implementation services
- 72230000 - Custom software development services
- 72262000 - Software development services
- 72000000 - IT services: consulting, software development, Internet and support
- 66500000 - Insurance and pension services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKN - Northern Ireland

II.2.4) Description of the procurement at the time of conclusion of the contract:

Civil Service Pensions procured an integrated active, deferred and pensioner member administration and financial services system (including pensioner payroll) and a number of support services, in respect of the Northern Ireland Civil Service (NICS) Pension Schemes and associated schemes, including:

- Principal Civil Service Pension Scheme (Northern Ireland) [PCSPS(NI)];
- Public Service (Civil Servants and Others) Pensions Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2014;
- Civil Service Compensation Scheme (Northern Ireland) [CSCS (NI)];
- Civil Service Injury Benefit Scheme (Northern Ireland) [CSIBS (NI)];
- Northern Ireland Civil Service Additional Voluntary Contribution Scheme (NICSAVCS);
- Northern Ireland Partnership Pension Account Ill Health Benefits Scheme;
- Northern Ireland Partnership Pension Account Death Benefits Scheme;
- Supplementary Earnings Cap Scheme; and,
- Unregistered Death Benefit Scheme (Northern Ireland).

The NICS Pension Schemes provide retirement benefits for civil servants and other Non-Departmental Public Bodies employees eligible to join the schemes.

The contract also included the provision of paying agent services in respect of two small, closed pension schemes, as well as other public service pensioners who are not members of the NICS Pension Schemes.

II.2.7) Duration of the contract, framework agreement, dynamic purchasing system or concession

Duration in months

120

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.2) Administrative information

IV.2.1) Contract award notice concerning this contract

Notice number: [2014/S 193-341482](#)

Section V. Award of contract/concession

Contract No

13078

V.2) Award of contract/concession

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract/concession award decision:

24 April 2015

V.2.2) Information about tenders

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor/concessionaire

Capita Pension Solutions Limited

Sheffield

Email

Luke.Allan@capita.com

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

Internet address

<https://www.capita.com>

The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

No

V.2.4) Information on value of the contract/lot/concession (at the time of conclusion of the contract;excluding VAT)

Total value of the procurement: £3,500,000

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

The UK does not have any such bodies with responsibility for appeal/mediation procedures.

Belfast

Country

United Kingdom

VI.4.3) Review procedure

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

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).

Section VII: Modifications to the contract/concession

VII.1) Description of the procurement after the modifications

VII.1.1) Main CPV code

- 75320000 - Government employee pension schemes

VII.1.2) Additional CPV code(s)

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- 72500000 - Computer-related services
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- 72230000 - Custom software development services
- 72262000 - Software development services
- 72000000 - IT services: consulting, software development, Internet and support
- 66500000 - Insurance and pension services

VII.1.3) Place of performance

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

Main site or place of performance

UK

VII.1.4) Description of the procurement:

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- Northern Ireland Civil Service Additional Voluntary Contribution Scheme (NICSAVCS);
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- Supplementary Earnings Cap Scheme; and,
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The contract also included the provision of paying agent services in respect of two small, closed pension schemes, as well as other public service pensioners who are not members of the NICS Pension Schemes.

VII.1.5) Duration of the contract, framework agreement, dynamic purchasing system or concession

Duration in months

156

VII.1.6) Information on value of the contract/lot/concession (excluding VAT)

Total value of the contract/lot/concession:

£7,579,887

VII.1.7) Name and address of the contractor/concessionaire

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Country

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The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

No

VII.2) Information about modifications

VII.2.1) Description of the modifications

Nature and extent of the modifications (with indication of possible earlier changes to the contract):

DoF are seeking a modification of £1,732,094.00 and to extend the contract period for an additional 36 months.

VII.2.2) Reasons for modification

Need for additional works, services or supplies by the original contractor/concessionaire.

Description of the economic or technical reasons and the inconvenience or duplication of cost preventing a change of contractor:

This extension and increase in contract value is seen as a modification under the provisions outlined in regulation 72 (1)(b) of the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 for additional works, services or supplies “have become necessary” and were not included in the initial procurement and a change of supplier would not be practicable (for economic, technical or interoperability reasons) and would involve substantial inconvenience/duplication of costs - provided the change does not exceed 50% of the value of the original contract.

Due to relevant interdependencies and associated risks such as the 2015 Remedy (McCloud) Implementation, a Gateway review recommended that the Go Live date for the new project be delayed to allow these issues to be resolved with resulting better value for money.

This delay will allow additional time for the new Civil Service Pensions (CSP) procurement to be completed and provide sufficient time for the implementation of the new solution while providing CSP with business continuity.

Also, the modification up to £1,732,094 does not exceed 50% of the value of the original contract.

This increase of time and value will be subject to the same Terms and Conditions as per the original contract.

VII.2.3) Increase in price

Updated total contract value before the modifications (taking into account possible earlier contract modifications, price adaptations and average inflation)

Value excluding VAT: £5,847,793

Total contract value after the modifications

Value excluding VAT: £7,579,887