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Contract

Flintshire County Council Learning Disability Day services and Work Opportunities Services

Flintshire County Council

F21: Social and other specific services – public contracts

Contract award notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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Buyer's address

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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

Flintshire County Council Learning Disability Day services and Work Opportunities Services

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 85300000 - Social work and related services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

The services to be provided under the contract are shared support services for individuals with learning disabilities and/or autism support needs in day and work opportunity settings.

The day service element is delivered from Hwb Cyfle, a purpose build day service centre based in Queensferry which opened in 2019 to replace the former Glanrafon day centre. Work opportunities services are delivered from five further sites and the supported employment teamwork with individuals to support them accessing volunteering and internship roles to gain sustainable, paid employment.

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: £30,358,407.23

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 85000000 - Health and social work services
- 85320000 - Social services
- 85310000 - Social work services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKL23 - Flintshire and Wrexham

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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The Council has an existing contract in place dated 1st February 2018 with the Contractor for the provision of the services. The total contract value for the initial 5 years of the contract was 9,564,507.00 GBP which was extended for a further two years for a value of 3,876,799.00 GBP making a total of 13,441,306.00 GBP

The Council would like to extend the contract as set out in this notice for a further 5 years to March 2030 plus an option to extend for a further two years until March 3032. The projected 5 year extension would result in a contract value (up until March 2030) of 25,276,380.35 GBP and if the two year further extension option is utilised the total contract value would be 30,358,407.23 GBP

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) Form 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:

The Council are extending the contract in reliance on the exception set out in Regulation 72(1)(e) of the Public Contract Regulations 2015. The Council does not consider the extension to be substantial in accordance with Regulation 72(8) for the reasons set out below.

The extension does not render the contract materially different in character from the one initially procured, as the same services will continue to be provided.

The extension does not introduce conditions which would have the effects set out in Regulation 72(8)(b)(i) to (iii) regarding other candidates or participants either.

The services to be delivered subject to the contract extension will continue to be predominantly day and work opportunities services for individuals with learning disabilities and autism support needs as per the current service delivery. Any modifications made to the existing contract will be incorporated for the purposes of service improvement, not a fundamental change to the service. This will, therefore, not render the contract materially different in character from the original and will not considerably change the scope of the contract.

The economic balance of the contract would remain unchanged, and the scope of the contract has not extended considerably.

Any economic changes will not change the economic balance of the contract in favour of the contractor in a manner which was not provided for in the initial contract and will be based on agreed increases in price. Contract governance arrangements will incorporate regular finance reviews to ensure that the commissioned services both represent and demonstrate value for money.

For contracts covered as part of the Light-Touch regime, the local authority's Contract Procedure Rules permit an exception to be sought where;

The performance of the existing contractor in delivering the required services under the existing contract has been monitored and assessed as satisfactory or better; (CPR 2.10.2 (vii)) and

The quality of the required services as required by the existing contractor under the existing contract has been assessed as satisfactory or better; (CPR 2.10.2 (viii))

IV.2) Administrative information

IV.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure

Notice number: [2017/S 236-491088](#)

Section V. Award of contract

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

18 October 2024

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 1

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: 1

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 1

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £30,358,407.23

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

The extension will permit the continuation of the successful collaborative working relationship with the incumbent provider. This will facilitate and preserve service continuity for the substantial number of existing individuals that are supported by the services and allow them to achieve their identified outcomes. The current provider has to date been successful in demonstrating innovation throughout their service delivery and has successfully incorporated new service elements into their overall service portfolio since the inception of the contract.

Extending the contract will allow for this added value to continue as part of the service moving forwards. Ensuring service continuity will be particularly important with respect to maximising the potential of new impending service developments.

Also as detailed in the notice this contract is being modified without a tender process being undertaken. In order to publish this notice a figure of 1 was put against the number of tenders received section as a figure of "0" was not accepted by the sell2wales website.

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VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

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