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Contract

## **Provision of Statutory Financial Audit Services Including the Production of Full Statutory Accounts and Filing with Companies House 2023**

Blackpool Council

F03: Contract award notice

Notice identifier: 2023/S 000-034493

Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-040279

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### **Section I: Contracting authority**

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

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**Country**

United Kingdom

**Region code**

UKD42 - Blackpool

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

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

Buyer's address

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

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

Regional or local authority

**I.5) Main activity**

General public services

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## **Section II: Object**

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

#### **II.1.1) Title**

Provision of Statutory Financial Audit Services Including the Production of Full Statutory Accounts and Filing with Companies House 2023

Reference number

DN683449

#### **II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 79212300 - Statutory audit services

#### **II.1.3) Type of contract**

Services

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

Blackpool Council has appointed a suitable company in order to undertake full statutory financial audit services including the production of full statutory accounts and filing with Companies House for all of its entities.

#### **II.1.6) Information about lots**

This contract is divided into lots: No

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

Lowest offer: £710,500 / Highest offer: £982,000 taken into consideration

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

#### **II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 79212100 - Financial auditing services

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

NUTS codes

- UKD42 - Blackpool

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

Tender submissions were accepted based on seven audit cycles in total, clearly setting out the

price for each cycle. Provision of the service will commence 1 January 2024 with the audit of

the 2023/24 accounts (1 April 2023 – 31 March 2024 financial year). This timing will allow for audit planning and interim audit work to be undertaken before the end of the relevant financial year.

The successful bidder fully demonstrated their ability to complete all audit requirements,

produce statutory accounts, audit report including audit opinion and file accounts with

Companies House for each of the companies, in accordance with the timetable advertised.

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

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 55

Quality criterion - Name: Social Value / Weighting: 10

Price - Weighting: 35

#### **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

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## **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**

Notice number: [2023/S 000-027838](#)

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## **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**

21 November 2023

#### **V.2.2) Information about tenders**

Number of tenders received: 2

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 1

Number of tenders received from tenderers from other EU Member States: 0

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 2

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**

Xenidan Audit Ltd

8th Floor Becket House, 36 Old Jewry

London

EC2R 8DD

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: £710,500 / Highest offer: £982,000 taken into consideration

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.4) Procedures for review**

#### **VI.4.1) Review body**

High Court Justice England and Wales

London

WC2A 2LL

Country

United Kingdom