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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

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocids-h6vhtk-040279

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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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

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

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](#)

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

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