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Contract

Blackboard Virtual Learning Environment

Buckinghamshire New University

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Scope

Reference

BNU-2412-305

Description

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This renewal will ensure continuity of services, access to support and updates, and the ability to scale and optimise usage based on future requirements. Given the University's long-standing investment in and integration with Blackboard VLE, renewing the Blackboard subscription is crucial to maintaining operational efficiency and supporting ongoing digital transformation initiatives.

Contract 1

Supplier

- Blackboard International B.V.

Contract value

- £1,164,100.33 excluding VAT
- £1,396,920.40 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Date signed

18 June 2025

Contract dates

- 1 July 2025 to 30 April 2031
- 5 years, 10 months

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 48190000 - Educational software package
- 72260000 - Software-related services

Contract locations

- UKJ1 - Berkshire, Buckinghamshire and Oxfordshire

Justification for not setting key performance indicators

The contract is relatively simple and the value is less than £5million. KPIs are therefore not applicable to this contract.

Other information

Conflicts assessment prepared/revised

Yes

Procedure

Procedure type

Direct award

Direct award justification

Additional or repeat goods, services or works - extension or partial replacement

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Supplier

Blackboard International B.V.

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Small or medium-sized enterprise (SME): No

Voluntary, community or social enterprise (VCSE): No

Supported employment provider: No

Public service mutual: No

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Contracting authority

Buckinghamshire New University

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Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government