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Contract

Supported Accommodation

Kent County Council

F03: Contract award notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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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**

Supported Accommodation

Reference number

DN654239

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 85311000 - Social work services with accommodation

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Kent County Council has a statutory responsibility to safeguard and promote the welfare of Kent Children in Care and ensure best value for money it spends on behalf of the Kent population. It also has a statutory responsibility to ensure there is safe and sufficient accommodation for Children in Care. The KCC Sufficiency Strategy for 2022-2027 sets out our approach to meet this statutory responsibility over the next five years.

In addition, in December 2021, the Department for Education outlined its intention to introduce national standards for independent and semi-independent provision for looked after children and care leavers aged 16 and 17, which will be overseen by an Ofsted led registration and inspection regime. The implication of this, is that current provision of unregulated accommodation and support services within Kent, will need to be decommissioned during a 12 months transition process, commencing in April 2023, to meet the new national regulation standards.

The Council is working to redesign and align the existing accommodation and support pathways for Care Leavers, Children in Care and Children in Need 16 and 17 year-olds. This includes purchasing a good range of stable, safe, and well-maintained accommodation and support services that are flexible to meet individual and changing demands.

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

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

Value excluding VAT: £111,500,000

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Lot No

1a

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 85311300 - Welfare services for children and young people

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKJ41 - Medway
- UKJ46 - West Kent

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Supported Accommodation High/Medium Needs Children in Care – North and West

High/Medium Needs Supported Accommodation - the capacity to support 16/17-year-old young people by providing an intensive support service model. This will require adequate accommodation units spread evenly across the 12 districts, providing a range of medium/high level support between seven to twenty-one hours per week for 16/17-year-old young people as set out by the new Ofsted Regulations.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Minimum Quality Threshold / Weighting: 60%

Price - Weighting: 0%

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

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Lot No

1b

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 85311300 - Welfare services for children and young people

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKJ44 - East Kent
- UKJ45 - Mid Kent

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Supported Accommodation High/Medium Needs Children in Care – South and East

High/Medium Needs Supported Accommodation - the capacity to support 16/17-year-old young people by providing an intensive support service model. This will require adequate accommodation units spread evenly across the 12 districts, providing a range of medium/high level support between seven to twenty-one hours per week for 16/17-year-old young people as set out by the new Ofsted Regulations.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Minimum Quality Threshold / Weighting: 60%

Price - Weighting: 0%

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

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Lot No

2

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 85311300 - Welfare services for children and young people

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKJ4 - Kent

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Supported Accommodation Low Needs for Children in Care and Children in Need

Low Needs Supported Accommodation - to provide up to seven hours of support per week is to be provided via an outreach support or on-site staffed provision. The young people need to receive the appropriate support based on their needs, to help them develop skills for adult living. This may include arranging support sessions on education and training, including opportunities such as apprenticeships; tools and/or resources to support their mental and

physical health; employment, including job and interview skills; domestic skills such as cooking nutritious meals and budgeting. The Council also expects providers to aid integration into the community by signposting young people to multi-agency opportunities. Support will be in line with the new Ofsted Regulations.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Minimum Quality Threshold / Weighting: 60%

Price - Weighting: 0%

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

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Lot No

3

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 85311300 - Welfare services for children and young people

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKJ4 - Kent

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Transitional Accommodation for 18-year-old Care Leavers

18+ Transitional Property Only Model Accommodation - there are currently over 450 young adults aged 18+ who are accommodated under this arrangement. It is anticipated that this figure will increase over the course of the contract. The Provider must consistently ensure that demand is always met. For unstaffed accommodation, it is expected that routine and unannounced visits (out of hours) will be undertaken to ensure the safety of our young adults and to prevent anti-social behaviour. On occasions, outreach support may need to be required on a case-by-case basis, as this service is transitional for young adults to then move on into their own independent accommodation.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Minimum Quality Threshold / Weighting: 60%

Price - Weighting: 0%

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

Restricted 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 000-003672](#)

Section V. Award of contract

Contract No

SC230106

Lot No

1a

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

30 October 2023

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 2

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 2

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

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 0

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

YMCA Thames Gateway

The Roundhouse, Overy Street

Dartford

DA1 1UP

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKJ4 - Kent

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £10,000,000

Section V. Award of contract

Contract No

SC230106

Lot No

1b

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

30 October 2023

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 1

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: 0

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 1

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Sanctuary Home Care t/a Sanctuary Supported Living

Sanctuary House, Chamber Court, Castle Street

Worcester

WR1 3ZQ

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKG1 - Herefordshire, Worcestershire and Warwickshire

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £16,500,000

Section V. Award of contract

Contract No

SC230107

Lot No

2

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

30 October 2023

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 1

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: 0

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 1

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Clearsprings Ready Homes Limited

26 Brook Road

Rayleigh

SS6 7XJ

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKH1 - East Anglia

The contractor is an SME

No

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £51,000,000

Section V. Award of contract

Contract No

SC230149

Lot No

3

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

30 October 2023

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: 0

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 1

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Clearsprings Ready Homes Limited

26 Brook Road

Rayleigh

SS6 7XJ

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKH31 - Southend-on-Sea

The contractor is an SME

No

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £34,000,000

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

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