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Contract

## **Training and Support Programme: Playwork Qualifications**

Welsh Government

F03: Contract award notice

Notice identifier: 2023/S 000-035778

Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-03d515

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

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

Welsh Government

Gwasanaethau Caffael Corfforaethol / Corporate Procurement Services, Parc Cathays / Cathays Park

Caerdydd / Cardiff

#### **Email**

[gerrard.oneill@gov.wales](mailto:gerrard.oneill@gov.wales)

#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **NUTS code**

UKL - Wales

#### **Internet address(es)**

Main address

<http://gov.wales>

Buyer's address

[https://www.sell2wales.gov.wales/search/Search\\_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA0007](https://www.sell2wales.gov.wales/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA0007)

## **I.2) Information about joint procurement**

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

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

Ministry or any other national or federal 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**

Training and Support Programme: Playwork Qualifications

Reference number

C362/2022/2023

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

- 80000000 - Education and training services

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

Services

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

A Pathway from Early Years to Play pilot began under the PfS programme in 2019. This provided opportunities and funding for practitioners who required a playwork qualification to meet the requirements of the National Minimum Standards for regulated childcare by

2021. Although the deadline has now passed, we are aware that many settings are still seeking to undertake these qualifications for their staff and so a demand remains for these qualifications.

Therefore, the provision of playwork qualifications continues to have an important role to play in supporting practitioners to upskill and achieve qualifications that are crucial to ensuring a high quality sector.

Our discussions with childcare and playwork stakeholders, as well as training providers confirm there remains significant demand across the childcare and playwork sector for supporting access to qualifications which will help with recruitment and retention difficulties. Within Welsh Government, we have a clear focus on supporting people to enter, stay and progress in the childcare and playwork sector, as is outlined in the 10 Year Childcare, Play and Early Years Workforce Plan.

The aim of the tender is to award up to seven 18 month contracts that will build on the provision of playwork qualifications provided under the PfS programme. These contracts will be tendered via 4 lots:

Lot 1 – Delivery of L2PP and P3 (Level 2 and 3) (All Wales basis) - 1 contract awarded

Lot 2 – Regional delivery of Transition to Playwork (North Wales). 2 contract awarded

Lot 3 – Regional delivery of Transition to Playwork (Mid and West Wales). 2 contract awarded

Lot 4 - Regional delivery of Transition to Playwork (South Wales). 2 contract awarded

#### **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: £577,648.75

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

#### **II.2.1) Title**

Lot 1 - Delivery of L2PP and P3 (Level 2 and 3) (All Wales basis)

Lot No

1

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

- 80000000 - Education and training services
- 80500000 - Training services
- 80511000 - Staff training services
- 80521000 - Training programme services
- 80530000 - Vocational training services

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

NUTS codes

- UKL - Wales

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

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

Quality criterion - Name: Technical / Weighting: 70

Price - Weighting: 30

#### **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 2 – Regional delivery of Transition to Playwork (North Wales)

Lot No

2

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

- 80500000 - Training services
- 80000000 - Education and training services
- 80521000 - Training programme services
- 80530000 - Vocational training services

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

NUTS codes

- UKL - Wales

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Lot 3 – Regional delivery of Transition to Playwork (Mid and West Wales)

Lot No

3

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

- 80500000 - Training services
- 80000000 - Education and training services
- 80521000 - Training programme services
- 80530000 - Vocational training services

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

NUTS codes

- UKL - Wales

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## **II.2) Description**

### **II.2.1) Title**

Lot 4 - Regional delivery of Transition to Playwork (South Wales)

Lot No

4

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

- 80000000 - Education and training services
- 80500000 - Training services
- 80530000 - Vocational training services
- 80521000 - Training programme services

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

NUTS codes

- UKL - Wales

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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 000-016431](#)

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## **Section V. Award of contract**

### **Lot No**

1

### **Title**

Lot 1 - Delivery of L2PP and P3 (Level 2 and 3) (All Wales basis)

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

### **V.2) Award of contract**

#### **V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract**

30 November 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: 1

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**

Clybiau Plant Cymru Kids' Clubs

Bridge House, Station Road Llanishen

Cardiff

CF145UW

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £172,725

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## **Section V. Award of contract**

### **Lot No**

2

### **Title**

Lot 2 – Regional delivery of Transition to Playwork (North Wales)

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

### **V.2) Award of contract**

#### **V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract**

1 December 2023

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

Number of tenders received: 3

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: 3

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 3

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: Yes

#### **V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor**

Aspiration Training Ltd

46 - 47 High Street

Newport

NP201GA

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKL - Wales

The contractor is an SME

Yes

**V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor**

Clybiau Plant Cymru Kids' Clubs

Bridge House, Station Road Llanishen

Cardiff

CF145UW

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £100,883.75

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## **Section V. Award of contract**

### **Lot No**

3

### **Title**

Lot 3 – Regional delivery of Transition to Playwork (Mid and West Wales)

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

### **V.2) Award of contract**

#### **V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract**

1 December 2023

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

Number of tenders received: 3

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: 3

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 3

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: Yes

#### **V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor**

Aspiration Training

Building 1, The Eastern Business Park, Wern Fawr Lane

Cardiff

CF35EA

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKL - Wales

The contractor is an SME

Yes

**V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor**

Clybiau Plant Cymru Kids' Clubs

Bridge House, Station Road Llanishen

Cardiff

CF145UW

Country

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- UK - United Kingdom

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £121,520

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## **Section V. Award of contract**

### **Lot No**

4

### **Title**

Lot 4 - Regional delivery of Transition to Playwork (South Wales)

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

### **V.2) Award of contract**

#### **V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract**

1 December 2023

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

Number of tenders received: 3

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: 3

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 3

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: Yes

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The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £182,520

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.3) Additional information**

(WA Ref:137023)

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

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

High Court

Royal Courts of Justice, The Strand

London

WC2A 2LL

Telephone

+44 2079477501

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United Kingdom