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Contract

Educated Other Than At School

Caerphilly County Borough Council

F21: Social and other specific services – public contracts

Contract award notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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NUTS code

UKL16 - Gwent Valleys

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Main address

<https://www.caerphilly.gov.uk>

Buyer's address

https://www.sell2wales.gov.wales/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA0272

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

Educated Other Than At School

Reference number

CCBC/PS2557/24/LE

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 80200000 - Secondary education services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Caerphilly CBC has awarded a framework agreement for the provision of Educated Other than At School, under the Public Contracts Regulation 2015, schedule 3, falling within Regulation 74-77, otherwise known as the Light Touch Regime. This notice is to inform the market that the tender process has now been awarded to HIT Education, Equity Foundation Ltd and Sgiliau Cyf. The framework term for this arrangement is 01 October 2024 to 30 September 2027, with the option to extend for a further period of 12 months.

Refresh Periods - New Providers shall be permitted to apply to join the framework at set times/intervals as advertised by the Council, on a twelve (12) month basis. This period may be shortened or extended, during the validity period of the framework, for example at times where there is poor capacity within the marketplace. The Council shall reserve the right to re-open the framework. A Contract Notice shall be issued via sell2wales to inform the market of the opportunity

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

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

Value excluding VAT: £4,500,000

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 80200000 - Secondary education services
- 80310000 - Youth education services
- 80340000 - Special education services
- 80210000 - Technical and vocational secondary education services
- 80212000 - Vocational secondary education services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKL16 - Gwent Valleys

Main site or place of performance

Within Caerphilly County Borough Council

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Caerphilly Educated Other at School Service (EOTAS) aims are to:

Ensure early identification and intervention.

Minimise as far as possible the interruption to a learner's normal schooling.

Provide a continuity and progression as far as circumstances will allow.

Raise achievement and attainment by removing barriers to learning.

Achieve reintegration to mainstream schooling for as many pupils as possible, as soon as possible.

Secure the best educational outcomes within the context of the learner's social, emotional and health needs.

Promote appropriate vocational and academic education across EOTAS provisions.

Reduce the number of young people not in education, employment, or training (NEET) within the LA.

Ensure that the rights and entitlements of vulnerable children and young people are safeguarded.

Ensure qualifications offered to learners must meet the Welsh requirements as set out in the Approved Qualifications in Wales database.

Provide best value in terms of learner outcomes and value for money.

Providers offering this service will need to :-

Provide a management structure, necessary infrastructure and capacity to ensure the provision meets learner need and operates safely, effectively and efficiently.

Provide a curriculum that meets the individual needs of all learners. At Key Stage 4 the minimum aspiration for learners should be Level 1 Threshold, including English and Mathematics. All curriculum issues will be discussed half termly with an EOTAS Service Team member.

Provide curriculum and social skill interventions to meet learner needs.

Be compliant with Child Protection procedures and able to demonstrate a working

knowledge and compliance with the All-Wales Child Protection procedures.

Demonstrate effective behaviour management in relation to learner need.

Be compliant with all statutory responsibilities where learners are single or dual registered, including developing Individual Development Plans (IDPs), and the arrangement and conducting of Person-Centred Reviews for those pupils who have identified ALN.

Provide all Post 14 learners with access to Careers Wales interviews and where appropriate provide a work-related placement.

Ensure all teaching staff have the relevant teaching qualifications specific to those specialist areas of the curriculum in English and Mathematics.

Ensure there is no discrimination directly or indirectly on the grounds of gender, marital status, race, disability, colour, ethnic and national origin in any terms of employment of the service delivery.

Ensure all staff involved in the provision undergo and maintain a successful Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) check in accordance with the conditions of this Framework throughout the lifetime of the agreement period.

Attend Provider Network meetings on a termly basis.

Attend the LA Child Protection training.

Comply with health and safety requirements

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.2.14) Additional information

Please note the framework agreement is from the 01 October 2024 - 30 September 2027 with the option to extend for up to a further period of twelve (12) months.

The estimated spend includes the option to extend

The estimated spend may increase or decrease depending on the needs of individuals.

This provision is supporting the Councils provision for EOTAS

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Form of procedure

Open procedure

IV.1.3) Information about a framework agreement

The procurement involves the establishment of a framework agreement

IV.1.11) Main features of the award procedure

The procurement process to establish a framework arrangement for EOTAS followed a three-stage, Open Tender Procedure as follows:-

First Stage Evaluation – Selection Stage - Pass / Fail and Scored Questions

Second Stage :-

Schedule of Rates – Pass / Fail

Evaluation – Award Stage - Assessment of Tender Response Criteria - Scored questions

Third Stage Evaluation – Interview / Presentation - Scored

IV.2) Administrative information

IV.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure

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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

1 October 2024

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 51

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 51

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: 51

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

HIT EDUCATION LIMITED

55 Bridge Street

Newport

NP204BL

Telephone

+44 7944442969

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKL - Wales

The contractor is an SME

Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Equity Foundation Ltd

16 Heather Court, Quakers Yard

Treharris

CF465RP

Telephone

+44 7760628410

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

The contractor is an SME

Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Sgiliau Cyf

77-79 High Street, Cross Keys

Newport

NP117FN

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKL16 - Gwent Valleys

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £4,500,000

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

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VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

High Court

Royal Courts of Justice, The Strand

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