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Award

Freedom to Speak Up Services (Interim Services)

Mid and South Essex NHS Foundation Trust

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Scope

Reference

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Description

Freedom to Speak up services 12 month + 12 option direct award contract with incumbent supplier The Guardian Service to ensure continuity of essential services, based on waiver, business case options appraisal, DSP approvals. 24/7 service (office hours plus out of hours provision) Limited market. Service reports directly into the Exec (independent support to whistleblowers and trends monitored). KPIs apply and rag rated reporting on issued. MSEFT plan is to run a competition for future long term contract once period of cover determined.

Contract 1. Freedom to Speak Up Services (Interim Services)

Supplier

- [Guardian Service](#)

Contract value

- £152,000 excluding VAT
- £184,200 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Award decision date

26 June 2025

Standstill period

- End: 9 July 2025
- 8 working days

Earliest date the contract will be signed

10 July 2025

Contract dates (estimated)

- 11 July 2025 to 30 June 2026

- 11 months, 21 days

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 98113000 - Services furnished by specialist organisations

Procedure

Procedure type

Direct award

Supplier

Guardian Service

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C/O Ymu Business Management Limited, 180 Great Portland Street

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United Kingdom

Email: contact@theguardianservcie.co.uk

Region: UKI32 - Westminster

Small or medium-sized enterprise (SME): No

Voluntary, community or social enterprise (VCSE): No

Supported employment provider: No

Public service mutual: No

Associated people/organisations:

n/a

Contract 1. Freedom to Speak Up Services (Interim Services)

Contracting authority

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