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Contract

NAC-5154 - School Work Experience & Employer Engagement

North Ayrshire Council

F03: Contract award notice

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

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

North Ayrshire Council

Cunninghame House, Friars Croft

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Email

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Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

UKM93 - East Ayrshire and North Ayrshire mainland

Internet address(es)

Main address

<http://www.north-ayrshire.gov.uk>

Buyer's address

http://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA00337

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

NAC-5154 - School Work Experience & Employer Engagement

Reference number

NAC-5154

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 80210000 - Technical and vocational secondary education services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

North Ayrshire Council is seeking to procure a single supplier to provide a schoolwork experience & employer engagement programme. The current contract ended on 30/06/2023. The new contract is anticipated to start on 01/10/2023 for a period of one year with up to thirty-six month extension available until 30/09/2027.

Tenderers must agree to accept NAC Terms and Conditions 2 (NAC TC2) Conditions of Contract for the Purchase of Services, NAC-5154 Exit terms and conditions an NAC-5154 Special Terms and Conditions and the contract will be let on these terms.

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: £199,992

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 80210000 - Technical and vocational secondary education services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKM93 - East Ayrshire and North Ayrshire mainland

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

North Ayrshire Council require a supplier to administer the Work Experience programme for all schools in North Ayrshire. This includes identifying placements, employer engagement to support placements and liaising with schools to support pupils. The contract is required to support the delivery of workplace experience placements to young people in line with the Careers Education Standard. There is an existing database of employers on an operational database (WorkIT) which NAC own, but the prospective supplier will maintain on our behalf schools' access to source & book placements.

The database requires constant refresh and evaluation. This will require the supplier to work with employers to widen the range of business sectors offering placements to ensure that young people who have a clear set of career aspirations are able to have meaningful exposure to the demands of their chosen field. Local and national labour market intelligence will help to inform this.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 40

Price - Weighting: 60

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

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

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Section V. Award of contract

Contract No

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A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

23 November 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

Ayrshire Chamber of Commerce

Suite 1005 , Glasgow Prestwick International Airport

Prestwick

KA9 2PL

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKM93 - East Ayrshire and North Ayrshire mainland

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £199,992

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

Lots are not being used for this tender for the reason(s) stated below:

Nature of the contract not suitable for lots.

Requires additional contract management resource which is not available.

Quality Management Procedures

1. The bidder must hold a UKAS (or equivalent) accredited independent third-party certificate of compliance in accordance with BS EN ISO 9001 (or equivalent) or a documented policy regarding quality management, see attachment at SPD question 4D.1.

Health and Safety Procedures

1. The bidder must hold a UKAS (or equivalent) accredited independent third-party certificate of compliance in accordance with ISO 45001 (or equivalent) or have, within the last 12 months, successfully met the assessment requirements of a construction-related scheme in registered membership of the Safety Schemes in Procurement (SSIP) forum or the bidder must have a regularly reviewed and documented policy for Health and Safety management, see attachment at SPD question 4D.1.

Bidders may be excluded from this competition if they are in any of the situations referred to in regulation 8 and 9 of the Procurement

(Scotland) Regulations 2016

(SC Ref:752579)

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Kilmarnock Sheriff Court

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Kilmarnock

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