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Contract

Advocacy Services across Leicestershire, Leicester, and Rutland

Leicestershire County Council
Leicester City Council
Rutland County Council

F03: Contract award notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-03faa7

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Section I: Contracting authority

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I.2) Information about joint procurement

The contract involves joint procurement

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

Advocacy Services across Leicestershire, Leicester, and Rutland

Reference number

DN688574

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 85000000 - Health and social work services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Leicestershire County Council in partnership with Leicester City Council and Rutland County Council (LLR Group) is undertaking this procurement for the provision of Advocacy Services across Leicestershire, Leicester and Rutland.

The successful provider will be responsible for the delivery of four distinct types of advocacy services as listed below:

Independent Mental Capacity Advocacy (IMCA)

The Mental Capacity Act makes statutory provisions for an IMCA to provide independent support for people who lack capacity to make important decisions. This must be provided by an organisation who is independent of the local LLR Group and the NHS.

Independent NHS Complaints Advocacy (ICAS)

This advocacy relates to members of the public or their carers making or intending to make an NHS complaint.

Independent Mental Health Advocacy (IMHA)

This is provided to people who are detained in a secure mental health setting, provisionally

discharged, those on Community Treatment Orders and voluntary patients.

Care Act Advocacy

This refers to the statutory requirement under sections 67 and 68 of the Care Act to provide advocacy to people who would experience substantial difficulty in being fully involved in their assessment and other parts of the care pathway.

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: £2,457,815

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKF2 - Leicestershire, Rutland and Northamptonshire

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II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 60%

Price - Weighting: 40%

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: No

IV.2) Administrative information

IV.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure

Notice number: [2023/S 000-026419](#)

Section V. Award of contract

Contract No

DN688574

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

12 December 2023

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 3

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

POwHER

Stevenage

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

The contractor is an SME

No

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £2,457,815

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Leicestershire County Council

Glenfield

Country

United Kingdom