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Award

## **BSP-20-014 - CYCLE TO WORK SCHEME FOR THE EDUCATION AUTHORITY**

the Education Authority

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### **Section I: Contracting authority/entity**

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

the Education Authority

40 Academy Street

Belfast

BT1 2NQ

#### **Email**

[Business.Procure@eani.org.uk](mailto:Business.Procure@eani.org.uk)

#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **Region code**

UK - United Kingdom

## **Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps>

Buyer's address

<https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps>

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

Body governed by public law

## **I.5) Main activity**

Education

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## **Section II: Object**

### **II.1) Scope of the procurement**

#### **II.1.1) Title**

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

- 75310000 - Benefit services

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

Services

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

The award of a contract by Education Authority Northern Ireland (EANI) without prior publication of a call for competition in the Official Journal of the European Union, in respect of the provision of Cycle to Work Scheme for the Education Authority (BSP-20-014) as further described in OJEU Contract Notice.

#### **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: £300,000

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

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

NUTS codes

- UKN - Northern Ireland

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

The objective of the scheme is to promote healthier journeys to work and to reduce environmental pollution. The 1999 Finance Act introduced an annual tax exemption which

allows employers to loan cycles and cyclists safety equipment to employees as a tax free benefit. Administration of the process is in conjunction with EA & Department of Education (DE) Payrolls and there will be no cost to

the EA for this scheme.

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

Quality criterion - Name: AC1 - Proposed Team Experience / Weighting: 20

Quality criterion - Name: AC2 – Proposed Methodology and Implementation Plan / Weighting: 40

Quality criterion - Name: AC3 - User Experience / Weighting: 20

Quality criterion - Name: AC4 - Data Processes, Data Protection and GDPR / Weighting: 10

Quality criterion - Name: AC5 - Monitoring of Performance and Reporting Requirements / Weighting: 10

Price - Weighting: 0

### **II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: Yes

Description of options

option to extend for a further 12 month period

### **II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds**

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

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## **Section IV. Procedure**

### **IV.1) Description**

#### **IV.1.1) Type of procedure**

Award of a contract without prior publication of a call for competition in the cases listed

below

- The procurement falls outside the scope of application of the regulations

Explanation:

The Contract set out in OJEU Contract Notice was entered into by EANI as per the published Contract Award Notice. The Contract was initially awarded for £600,000.00 and it was agreed in December 2023 that this would be increased to £900,000.00 under Regulation 72 (1)(B) of the Public Contract Regulations 2015.

Namely, the following conditions have been fulfilled:

(b)for additional works, services or supplies by the original contractor that have become necessary and were not included in the initial procurement, where a change of contractor—

i)cannot be made for economic or technical reasons such as requirements of interchangeability or interoperability with existing equipment, services or installations procured under the initial procurement, or

(ii)would cause significant inconvenience or substantial duplication of costs for the contracting authority, provided that any increase in price does not exceed 50% of the value of the original contract.

The modification is 50% of the original contract value which is permissible under Regulation 72 (1) B.

#### **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: [2021/S 071-182351](#)

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

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

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

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

25 March 2021

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

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

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

Halfords Limited Cycle2work

Redditch

B98 0DE

Email

[daniel.knight@halfords.co.uk](mailto:daniel.knight@halfords.co.uk)

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

Internet address

<https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps>

The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

No

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

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot/concession: £300,000

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

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

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

The UK does not currently have any such bodies with responsibilities for appeal/mediation procedures

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