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Contract

# GM Adult Skills Programmes Adult Education Budget & Skills Bootcamps Impact Evaluation

**Greater Manchester Combined Authority** 

F03: Contract award notice

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# **Section I: Contracting authority**

#### I.1) Name and addresses

**Greater Manchester Combined Authority** 

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#### Country

**United Kingdom** 

# Region code

UK - United Kingdom

# Internet address(es)

Main address

http://www.manchesterfire.gov.uk/

Buyer's address

http://www.manchesterfire.gov.uk/

# 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

GM Adult Skills Programmes Adult Education Budget & Skills Bootcamps Impact Evaluation

Reference number

DN680103

#### II.1.2) Main CPV code

• 80000000 - Education and training services

#### II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

#### II.1.4) Short description

1.1.1 Greater Manchester Combined Authority (GMCA) are procuring an Evaluation Partner to

undertake a retrospective impact evaluation of both the Adult Education Budget (AEB) and

Skills Bootcamps programmes, overviews of which can be found in sections 1.3 and 1.4 of

this document.

- 1.1.2 The opportunity has been taken by GMCA to conduct a combined, backward-looking impact evaluation of AEB and Skills Bootcamps two key, individual components of the adult skills landscape.
- 1.1.3 The programmes are to be evaluated in and of themselves (i.e. not in explicit reference

to any pre- versus post-devolution experiences). Hence, no counterfactual analysis is

required.

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how, both programmes are achieving their desired impacts and outcomes. It will be expected

to play a primary role in generating learning, evidencing both the successes and shortfalls of

the programmes' design and delivery models.

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future, including a view on how the programmes might better complement each other as part

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paragraphs 1.2.8 to 1.2.10 below for further information on the vision). It will also discuss how

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Manchester Strategy: Good Lives for All (GMS).

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#### 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: £250,000

## II.2) Description

#### II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

• 80000000 - Education and training services

#### II.2.3) Place of performance

**NUTS** codes

• UK - United Kingdom

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#### II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Technical Capability / Weighting: 80%

Price - Weighting: 20%

#### 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: <u>2023/S 000-020989</u>

#### Section V. Award of contract

#### **Contract No**

**GMCA 731** 

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

#### V.2) Award of contract

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

27 November 2023

#### V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 8

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 5

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: 8

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

## V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

National Learning and Work Institute

89 Albert Embankment

London

SE1 7TP

Country

**United Kingdom** 

**NUTS** code

• UK - United Kingdom

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £245,907.50

# **Section VI. Complementary information**

# VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

The Royal Court of Justice (High Court)

London

WC2A 2LL

Country

**United Kingdom** 

Internet address

https://www.greatermanchester-ca.gov.uk