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Contract

## **NHS Estates Technical Standards & Guidance Programme**

NHS England

F03: Contract award notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-03849f

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### **Section I: Contracting authority**

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

NHS England

Wellington House, 133-135 Waterloo Rd

London

SE1 8UG

#### **Contact**

Russell Greenwood

#### **Email**

[russell.greenwood@nhs.net](mailto:russell.greenwood@nhs.net)

#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **Region code**

UKJ1 - Berkshire, Buckinghamshire and Oxfordshire

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://www.england.nhs.uk/>

Buyer's address

<https://www.england.nhs.uk/>

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

Body governed by public law

**I.5) Main activity**

Health

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**Section II: Object**

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

**II.1.1) Title**

NHS Estates Technical Standards & Guidance Programme

**II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 71000000 - Architectural, construction, engineering and inspection services

**II.1.3) Type of contract**

Services

**II.1.4) Short description**

The NHS England Technical Standards and Guidance (TSG) Programme is responsible for publication of Health Building Notes (HBNs) and Health Technical Memoranda (HTMs). These have been provided to the NHS since the 1960s, but in 2017 responsibility was discharged from DHSC to NHS Improvement (now NHS England), within the national NHS Estates and Facilities division.

Producing TSG requires a specialist skill set, including architects, health planners, engineers, technical author and editorial skills. Since 2018 external specialist consultancy support has been procured to provide the necessary resource and expertise so NHS England can progress updates.

#### **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: £7,885,000

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

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

NUTS codes

- UKE - Yorkshire and the Humber

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

The NHS Estates Technical Standards and Guidance Programme team have responsibility to support the NHS Constitution right for patients to be cared for in a “clean, safe, secure and suitable environment” through publication of a suite of technical guidance documents, available free of charge and disseminated via the NHS England website

<https://www.england.nhs.uk/estates/>

Health Building Notes (HBNs) give best practice guidance on the design and planning of new healthcare buildings and adaptation or extension of existing facilities.

Health Technical Memoranda (HTMs) give comprehensive advice and guidance on the design, installation and operation of specialised building and engineering technology used in the delivery of healthcare.

Specific skills required depend on the nature and coverage of individual guidance documents. Some will be provided by NHS England staff, but the majority of the work to deliver these documents will need to be provided by external suppliers:

Scoping – review existing guidance, both NHS related and more widely, to determine the specification of the guidance to be produced;

Production – work with the specified teams and stakeholders to develop the guidance, test

and edit it;

Engagement with the appropriate stakeholders from NHS England, DHSC, across the NHS and relevant industry.

Professional services needed include:

Technical Authors

Subject Matter Experts

Technical Editors

Other specialist skillsets not available within NHS England, including healthcare architects, healthcare planners, engineers (e.g. mechanical, electrical, decontamination, fire) with specialist healthcare experience, medical equipment specialists, etc.

Project and Programme Management (PMO) resource to manage delivery of the programme and relevant interfaces.

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

Quality criterion - Name: Technical / Weighting: 70

Cost criterion - Name: Price / Weighting: 30

#### **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

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## **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**

Notice number: [2023/S 000-013762](#)

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

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

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

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

1 July 2025

#### **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**

ARCHUS LIMITED

101 Victoria Street, Redcliffe

Bristol

BS1 6PU

Email

[tenders@archus.uk.com](mailto:tenders@archus.uk.com)

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKE - Yorkshire and the Humber

National registration number

06937095

Internet address

[www.archus.uk.com](http://www.archus.uk.com)

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot: £2,599,844.95

Lowest offer: £7,885,000 / Highest offer: £7,885,000 taken into consideration

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

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

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

The High Court

The Strand

London

WC2A 2LL

Country

United Kingdom