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Contract

Provision of Investment Services for the Official Solicitor

Ministry of Justice

F03: Contract award notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

Ministry of Justice

102 Petty France

London

SW1H 9AJ

Email

CommercialFinancialServices@justice.gov.uk

Telephone

+44 02033343555

Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UK - United Kingdom

Internet address(es)

Main address

https://ministryofjusticecommercial.bravosolution.co.uk/web/login.html

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Ministry or any other national or federal authority

I.5) Main activity

Economic and financial affairs

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Provision of Investment Services for the Official Solicitor

II.1.2) Main CPV code

66100000 - Banking and investment services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

This notice relates to the award of a contract for the Provision of Investment Services for the Official Solicitor.

The Official Solicitor acts as the administrator of estates and trustee of trusts of last resort, and holds real and personal property such as land, cash, and securities (e.g., stocks and shares).

An estate is where the Official Solicitor has been appointed as executor of a deceased person's will or as administrator of an estate of a person who has died without a will. An executor/administrator collects all the deceased's assets and pays all of the debts before

distributing what remains to the beneficiaries named in the will or, if there is no will, who is entitled by law to this.

Where the Official Solicitor has been appointed to act as a trustee, she has a duty to invest the capital held to produce income to use or pay for the benefit of the beneficiaries of the trust. It is a legal responsibility of the Official Solicitor as Trustees to obtain professional investment advice when managing the assets.

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: £1,542,522

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

• UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Scope of Work

The procurement concerns the provision of discretionary investment management services to the Official Solicitor. Under this arrangement, the appointed investment manager will make investment decisions on behalf of the Official Solicitor, in accordance with policy documents provided during the account setup process. All referred funds must be accepted, regardless of value.

The Supplier must:

Be authorised under the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 and experienced in working with trustees, executors, and administrators.

Provide services equivalent to those offered to professional trustees, including both discretionary and advisory investment management.

Deliver at least two valuations per year per trust, with additional reports on request.

Produce annual investment reports detailing transactions, holdings, valuations, and

performance, with supporting evidence for each transaction.

Maintain nominee arrangements and custody of investments.

Manage dividends and facilitate beneficiary payments as instructed.

Provide HMRC-compliant valuations and annual tax reports (CGT and income) as of 5th April.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Investment Models & Strategies / Weighting: 25%

Quality criterion - Name: Investment Reporting / Weighting: 5%

Quality criterion - Name: Stewardship Accounts / Weighting: 10%

Quality criterion - Name: Contract Management / Weighting: 6%

Quality criterion - Name: Systems / Weighting: 5%

Quality criterion - Name: Transition/Mobilisation Plan / Weighting: 12%

Quality criterion - Name: Trustees & Executors / Weighting: 7%

Quality criterion - Name: Social Value: MAC 7.1 / Weighting: 10%

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

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Section V. Award of contract

Contract No

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Title

Provision of Investment Services for the Official Solicitor.

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

10 July 2025

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

Charles Stanley & Co. Ltd

Ropemaker Place, 25 Ropemaker Street

London EC2Y 9LY 4.

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: £1,542,522

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Ministry of Justice

London

Country

United Kingdom