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Contract

Funded Early Learning and Childcare Places Framework Agreement - Reopening May 2025

Scottish Borders Council

F21: Social and other specific services – public contracts

Contract award notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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NUTS code

UKM91 - Scottish Borders

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Main address

http://www.scotborders.gov.uk

Buyer's address

 $\underline{https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA0039}$ 4

I.2) Information about joint procurement

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

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

Funded Early Learning and Childcare Places Framework Agreement - Reopening May 2025

Reference number

Ref No: SBC/CPS/1815

II.1.2) Main CPV code

• 85312110 - Child daycare services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Scottish Borders Council is seeking bid submissions from suitably qualified and experienced providers to supplement it's existing framework for Funded Early Learning and Childcare Places (ref SBC/CPS/1815).

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

II.1.7) Total value of the procurement (excluding VAT)

Value excluding VAT: £3,000,000

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Childminder Services

Lot No

2

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

• 85312110 - Child daycare services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

• UKM91 - Scottish Borders

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Scottish Borders Council is reopening its Funded Early Learning and Childcare Framework to new providers from the

voluntary, independent and private settings to provide Early Learning and Childcare for 2,3 and 4 year old children.

Lot 2 - Childminder Services

All providers who apply and meet the national standards, legislation and the Council's procedural requirements and accept the rates and contract terms set out by the Council shall be accepted onto the framework agreement to deliver funded provision.

As this service is listed in Schedule 3 of the Public Contracts (Scotland) Regulations and the contract value exceeds the threshold, the Council will be using the afforded flexibility of the Light Touch Regime to re-open the framework.

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) Form of procedure

Open procedure

IV.2) Administrative information

IV.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure

Notice number: <u>2025/S 000-017859</u>

Section V. Award of contract

Lot No

2

Title

Childminder Services

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

1 August 2025

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 1

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 0

Number of tenders received from tenderers from other EU Member States: 0

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 1

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 1

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Little Wonders Childminding service

TD98ED, 7 Burnfoot Road

Hawick

TD98ED

Telephone

+44 7713991301

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

• UK - United Kingdom

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £3,000,000

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

(SC Ref:808889)

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

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