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Contract

## **BSP-25-004 Workplace Uniforms and PPE**

the Education Authority

F03: Contract award notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-04c92a

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

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

the Education Authority

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Belfast

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#### **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.2) Information about joint procurement**

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

## **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**

BSP-25-004 Workplace Uniforms and PPE

Reference number

BSP-25-004

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

- 18100000 - Occupational clothing, special workwear and accessories

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

Supplies

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

The EA invites tenders for the provision of Workplace Uniforms and PPE. This Framework Agreement will run from the 01 June 2025 for a 2 year Initial Period on an as and when required basis, with a possible further extension of a 2 year period. The administering

procurement office for this tender, on behalf of EA, will be the Business Services and Products Procurement Category, based in Ballymena. The EA invites tenders for the provision of Workplace Uniforms and PPE. This Framework has the following 5 Lots: Lot 1 Protective Clothing, Lot 2 School Crossing Patrol, Lot 3 Misc Items, Equip and Gloves, and Specialised Protective Clothing, Lot 4 Catering Accessories and Uniforms and Lot 5 Bite Resistant PPE.

#### **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: £5,000,000

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

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

- 18110000 - Occupational clothing
- 18113000 - Industrial clothing
- 18114000 - Coveralls
- 18130000 - Special workwear
- 18140000 - Workwear accessories
- 18141000 - Work gloves
- 18142000 - Safety visors
- 18143000 - Protective gear
- 18200000 - Outerwear
- 18210000 - Coats
- 18213000 - Wind jackets
- 18220000 - Weatherproof clothing
- 18221000 - Waterproof clothing
- 18221300 - Raincoats
- 18222000 - Corporate clothing

- 18230000 - Miscellaneous outerwear
- 18232000 - Skirts
- 18234000 - Trousers
- 18235000 - Pullovers, cardigans and similar articles
- 18235100 - Pullovers
- 18235300 - Sweatshirts
- 18330000 - T-shirts and shirts
- 18331000 - T-shirts
- 18332000 - Shirts
- 18333000 - Polo shirts
- 18400000 - Special clothing and accessories
- 18410000 - Special clothing
- 18420000 - Clothing accessories
- 18424000 - Gloves
- 18443000 - Headgear and headgear accessories
- 18443300 - Headgear
- 18443340 - Caps
- 18443400 - Chin straps for headgear
- 18443320 - Field caps
- 18443500 - Visors
- 18444000 - Protective headgear
- 18444100 - Safety headgear
- 18444110 - Helmets
- 18444111 - Crash helmets
- 18444200 - Hard hats
- 35113000 - Safety equipment

- 35113300 - Safety installations
- 35113430 - Safety vests
- 35113440 - Reflective vests
- 35113470 - Protective shirts or pants

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

NUTS codes

- UKN - Northern Ireland

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

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

Quality criterion - Name: AC1.1, 1.2 1.3 Methodology / Weighting: 16

Quality criterion - Name: AC2 Quality Assurance / Weighting: 10

Quality criterion - Name: AC3 Business Continuity and Contract Management / Weighting: 8

Quality criterion - Name: AC4 Social Considerations / Weighting: 6

Cost criterion - Name: AC5 Cost / Weighting: 60

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

Options: Yes

Description of options

This Framework is for an initial 2 year period with the option to extend for a further 2 years

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

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

### **II.2.14) Additional information**

The scope of this Framework Agreement is to fulfil the EA's supply and delivery requirement of Workplace Uniforms and PPE for various directorates and schools throughout the whole of NI from 01 June 2024. This Framework Agreement is divided into 5 Lots which are: Lot 1 - Protective Clothing, Lot 2 - School Crossing Patrol, Lot 3 - Miscellaneous Items, Equipment, Gloves and Specialist Protective Clothing, Lot 4 - Catering Accessories Uniforms, Lot 5 - Bite Resistant PPE. This Framework Agreement is let by the Northern Ireland Education Authority "EA" and is open to the EA, including NI educational bodies as follows: Primary and Post Primary schools under the control of the EA, Catholic Maintained Schools, Independent Schools in NI, Irish Medium Schools in NI, both Controlled and, Voluntary Grammar Schools, Nursery School for NI both controlled and Catholic Maintained, school meals kitchens on-site at all of these schools, and Controlled Youth Centres. Further Education Colleges in NI – The colleges with SLA agreements are: North West Regional College, Northern Regional College, South Eastern Regional College, South West College, Southern Regional College, Grant Controlled Integrated Education Schools in NI, Independent School in NI, Libraries NI, EA Teachers' and Educational Centres, Council for the Curriculum, Examination and Assessment NI CCEA, Armagh Observatory and Planetarium, Middletown Centre for Autism, Controlled Schools Support Council CSSC. Education Authority, Northern Ireland Council for Integrated Education NICIE. At some point during the life of the Framework, any current and future EA customers, and educational bodies, may wish to utilise the agreement and should have access, at any point, with the permission of EA. This agreement is not intended to replace any current agreements, either participating or non-participating institutions may already have in place. The estimated value in II.2.7 is maximum estimated value including all Lots and there is no guarantee of spend. Value may move between Lots during the course of the Framework Agreement

## **Section IV. Procedure**

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

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

Competitive procedure with negotiation

#### **IV.1.3) Information about a framework agreement or a dynamic purchasing system**

The procurement involves the establishment of a framework agreement

#### **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: [2024/S 000-040785](#)

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

### **Contract No**

1

### **Title**

Contract

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

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

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

23 September 2025

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

Number of tenders received: 12

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 4

Number of tenders received from tenderers from other EU Member States: 1

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 3

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 12

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: Yes

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

Charles Hughes Ltd.

Westport Business and Technology Park, Westport, Co Mayo, Ireland

Westport

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Ireland

NUTS code

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Internet address

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The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

KELTIC LIMITED

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NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

Internet address

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The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

HEALTHY BEAN LTD

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LONDON

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Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

Internet address

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The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

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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: £5,000,000

Total value of the contract/lot: £500,000

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

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

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

The UK does not have any such bodies with responsibility for appeal/mediation procedures. Instead; any challenges are dealt with by the High Court, Commercial Division, to which proceedings may be issued regarding alleged breaches of the PCR 2015 as amended. The UK does not have any such bodies wit

Belfast

Country

United Kingdom

#### **VI.4.3) Review procedure**

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

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