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Contract

Mandatory Dental Services in Chard and Crewkerne to NHS Somerset Integrated Care Board (ICB)

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F03: Contract award notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

NHS Somerset Integrated Care Board (ICB)

Wynford House, Lufton Way, Lufton

Yeovil

BA22 8HR

Email

scwcsu.procurement@nhs.net

Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UKK23 - Somerset

Justification for not providing organisation identifier

Not on any register

Internet address(es)

Main address

<https://nhssomerset.nhs.uk/>

Buyer's address

<https://atamis-1928.my.site.com/s/Welcome>

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

I.5) Main activity

Health

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Mandatory Dental Services in Chard and Crewkerne to NHS Somerset Integrated Care Board (ICB)

Reference number

C324893

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 85130000 - Dental practice and related services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

NHS Somerset Integrated Care Board (ICB) sought providers who had the capability and capacity to deliver Mandatory Dental Services (MDS) in Somerset area.

The procurement was divided into 2 lots and covered the following areas:

Lot 1: Chard

Lot 2: Crewkerne

The aims for MDS provision are to:

- contribute to improving oral and general health
- reduce inequalities in health and access to dental care by providing extra support to groups of vulnerable adults and children. This includes, but is not limited to, children, residents of care homes, other vulnerable groups and patients weighing up to 227kg (35 stones and 10.45 lbs)
- provide access to NHS dental services to ensure equity and consistency of provision
- improve children's oral health through partnership working with local stakeholders

- deliver appropriate, efficient and cost-effective services within the service
- provide high quality dental services within framework of the NHS (General Dental Services/Personal Dental Services) Regulations 2005 and any subsequent revisions
- provide access within contracted hours to un-associated patients identified as having an urgent dental need via NHS 111, NHS Dental Helpline, out of hours services and self-referral
- refer patients to other NHS services as appropriate in line with the relevant local protocols and guidance
- establish a positive working relationship between the Commissioner and Provider to facilitate and maximise high quality service delivery
- develop services in line with the evolving strategic approach to primary care dental provision and align with the priorities of the NHS Long Term Plan -
www.longtermplan.nhs.uk and ICB Primary Care Strategy -
<https://oursomerset.org.uk/about-us/strategy-joint-forward-plan/>
- promote overall health in line with Making Every Contact Count -
<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/making-every-contact-count-mecc-practical-resources>
- keep availability of appointments up to date on
<https://www.nhs.uk/nhs-services/dentists/how-to-find-an-nhs-dentist/>
- comply with recall intervals, in line with NICE Guidelines (CG19).

The contracts will be for a term of up to 10 years. Services were due to commence from 30th May 2025 and by 28th November 2025.

The maximum total contract values were as follows:

Lot 1: £8,925,000

Lot 2: £5,425,000

The Commissioner will be contracting for the services using the Standard clauses for a Personal Dental Services agreement.

Lot 1 award notices have previously been issued (www.find-tender.service.gov.uk/Notice/034294-2025). This notice serves as an intention to award a contract for Lot 2 under the competitive process of the Provider Selection

Regime (PSR), Service commencement for Lot 2 has been delayed due to the seeking of assurances through a preferred bidder period.

This procurement was being carried out by NHS South, Central & West Commissioning Support Unit (SCW) on behalf of the Commissioners.

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: £5,285,288

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Mandatory Dental Services in Crewkerne

Lot No

2

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 85130000 - Dental practice and related services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKK23 - Somerset

Main site or place of performance

Crewkerne

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

NHS Somerset Integrated Care Board (ICB) sought providers who had the capability and capacity to deliver Mandatory Dental Services (MDS) in the Somerset area.

Lot 2 covers Crewkerne.

The contract for Lot 2 will be for a term of up to 116 months and 29 days.

Services are due to commence within 6 months of contract award and the actual service commencement date is to be agreed with the Commissioner.

The maximum total contract value is £5,285,288.

The contract will be for the delivery of 15,500 Units of Dental Activity (UDAs) per annum.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality and Innovation / Weighting: 35

Quality criterion - Name: Integration, Collaboration and Service Sustainability / Weighting: 17

Quality criterion - Name: Improving access, reducing health inequalities, and facilitating choice / Weighting: 28

Quality criterion - Name: Social Value / Weighting: 10

Cost criterion - Name: Value / Weighting: 10

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: 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

Lot No

2

Title

Mandatory Dental Services in Crewkerne

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

13 October 2025

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 2

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 2

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

Harunani & Co Group of Dental Surgeries T/A Dentistry For You

Kent

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKJ4 - Kent

Justification for not providing organisation identifier

Partnership

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: £5,285,288

Total value of the contract/lot: £5,285,288

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

The decision to award this contract in line with the Competitive Process was based on evaluation against the basic selection criteria (in the form of a Selection Questionnaire), which was assessed on a pass/fail basis, and the PSR 5 key criteria, which were assessed on a 0-4 scale, with the below weightings.

Several tender questions were asked under each of the key criteria.

Quality & Innovation - 35%

Value - 10%

Integration, Collaboration and Service Sustainability - 17%

Improving access, reducing health inequalities, and facilitating choice - 28%

Social Value - 10%

The providers selected for award have been chosen as they passed the basic selection criteria and were the highest scoring bidder overall, against the key criteria.

After conducting a thorough Competitive Process, taking into account the key criteria and applying the basic selection criteria, Somerset Integrated Care Board (ICB) is content that the providers' bid sufficiently met the key criteria and thus can proceed to contract award under the Health Care Services (Provider Selection Regime) Regulations 2023.

There was one potential declaration of conflict of interest made via the conflict of interest

process and recorded accordingly. It was not deemed as an actual conflict or risk to the procurement, but was still managed accordingly with appropriate mitigations.

Award decisions have been recommended by the Somerset ICB Board.

This is a Provider Selection Regime (PSR) intention to award notice. The awarding of this contract is subject to the Health Care Services (Provider Selection Regime) Regulations 2023. For the avoidance of doubt, the provisions of the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 and The Procurement Act 2023 do not apply to this award. The publication of this notice marks the start of the standstill period. Representations by providers must be made to the relevant authority by 27th October 2025. This contract has not yet formally been awarded; this notice serves as an intention to award a contract under the competitive process of the PSR.

Written representations should be sent to scwcsu.procurement@nhs.net.

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

High Court London

London

Country

United Kingdom