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Award

Learning Partners for Youth Trailblazer-EMCCA

East Midlands Combined County Authority

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Scope

Reference

DN783740

Description

EMCCA sought Learning Partners to undertake work on the Youth Trailblazer project. The requirement is for:

Lot 1-Research and Learning - Responsible for mapping the existing system, conducting in-depth research into barriers faced by young people (such as transport accessibility, health conditions, access to employment), and acting as a learning partner for the programme. This role will also support local evaluation requirements and provide evidence-based recommendations for continuous improvement.

Lot 2 - Data Usage and Collaboration Insights - Tasked with mapping existing data flows, identifying opportunities to enhance the use of data for strategic and operational decision-making, and supporting the establishment of data-sharing agreements and digital tools to enable more effective data use.

Procurement undertaken by Nottinghamshire County Council on behalf of East Midlands Combined County Authority.

Lot 1. Learning & Evaluation

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Lot 2. Data Usage and Collaboration Insights

Description

Tasked with mapping existing data flows, identifying opportunities to enhance the use of data for strategic and operational decision-making, and supporting the establishment of data-sharing agreements and digital tools to enable more effective data use.

Contract 1. Lot 1-Research and Learning

Lots

Lot 1. Learning & Evaluation

Supplier

- SOCIAL FINANCE LIMITED

Contract value

- £205,042.50 excluding VAT
- £246,051 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Award decision date

14 October 2025

Date assessment summaries were sent to tenderers

15 October 2025

Standstill period

- End: 24 October 2025
- 8 working days

Earliest date the contract will be signed

1 November 2025

Contract dates (estimated)

- 2 November 2025 to 31 March 2026
- 4 months, 29 days

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 73000000 - Research and development services and related consultancy services

Contract locations

- UKF1 - Derbyshire and Nottinghamshire
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Contract 2. Lot 2 - Data Usage and Collaboration Insights

Lots

Lot 2. Data Usage and Collaboration Insights

Supplier

- SOCIAL FINANCE LIMITED

Contract value

- £213,225 excluding VAT
- £255,870 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

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Information about tenders

Lot 1. Learning & Evaluation

- 9 tenders received
- 9 tenders assessed in the final stage:
 - 8 submitted by small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)
 - 1 submitted by voluntary, community and social enterprises (VCSE)
- 1 supplier awarded contracts
- 8 suppliers unsuccessful (details included for contracts over £5 million)

Lot 2. Data Usage and Collaboration Insights

- 3 tenders received

- 3 tenders assessed in the final stage:
 - 3 submitted by small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)
 - 0 submitted by voluntary, community and social enterprises (VCSE)
- 1 supplier awarded contracts
- 2 suppliers unsuccessful (details included for contracts over £5 million)

Procedure

Procedure type

Open procedure

Supplier

SOCIAL FINANCE LIMITED

- Companies House: 06402143
- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PHGL-6481-HVBL

3rd Floor, Colechurch House, London Bridge Walk

London

SE1 2XS

United Kingdom

Email: tenders@socialfinance.org.uk

Website: <https://www.socialfinance.org.uk/>

Region: UKI44 - Lewisham and Southwark

Small or medium-sized enterprise (SME): Yes

Voluntary, community or social enterprise (VCSE): Yes

Supported employment provider: No

Public service mutual: No

Contract 1. Lot 1-Research and Learning

Contract 2. Lot 2 - Data Usage and Collaboration Insights

Contracting authority

East Midlands Combined County Authority

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PZXR-6887-DRNP

Northern Gateway Enterprise Centre

Chesterfield

S40 1UT

United Kingdom

Email: procurement@eastmidsdevo.org.uk

Region: UKF12 - East Derbyshire

Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government

Other organisation

These organisations are carrying out the procurement, or part of it, on behalf of the contracting authorities.

Nottinghamshire County Council

Summary of their role in this procurement: Conducted Procurement on behalf of EMCCA

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PBCV-5152-BXBP

County Hall, Loughborough Road

Nottingham

NG2 7QP

United Kingdom

Email: prpc@nottscc.gov.uk

Region: UKF16 - South Nottinghamshire

Contact organisation

Contact Nottinghamshire County Council for any enquiries.