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Contract

Educational Psychologists to Provide Advice in Education Health and Care Assessments

Durham County Council

F03: Contract award notice

Notice identifier: 2025/S 000-065892

Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-055274

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

Durham County Council

Corten House, Dunholme Close

Durham

DH15WB

Contact

Donna Iley

Email

donna.iley@durham.gov.uk

Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UKC14 - Durham CC

Justification for not providing organisation identifier

Not on any register

Internet address(es)

Main address

www.durham.gov.uk

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

Educational Psychologists to Provide Advice in Education Health and Care Assessments

Reference number

001835

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 85121270 - Psychiatrist or psychologist services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

This contract is for Educational Psychologists to provide advice in Education Health and Care Assessments to complement the Council's statutory provision.

The Council is seeking multiple providers that can provide the above named services.

This is an open agreement where, at any time, any Provider that meets the required standards in the Selection Questionnaire can be awarded a contract.

The Council makes no guarantee to any Provider that they will be awarded any work under this contract and no guarantee is made in respect of any volume of work under any such agreement, or in aggregate under the contract. The Contract provides for no form of exclusivity and the Council is at all times entitled to enter into other contracts and agreements with other Providers for the provision of any Services.

This Invitation to Tender (ITT) is issued under Direct Award Process B in line with the Health Care Services (Provider Selection Regime) Regulations 2023. For the avoidance of doubt, the Procurement Act 2023 does not apply to this opportunity.

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: £3,000,000

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKC14 - Durham CC

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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such agreement, or in aggregate under the contract. The Contract provides for no form of exclusivity and the Council is at all times entitled to enter into other contracts and agreements with other Providers for the provision of any Services.

Each Provider should understand that their submission constitutes an acceptance to the Council of the terms of the Contract. The contract affords the Provider merely the opportunity to respond to an invitation from the Council for the provision of services.

This is an existing service however new Providers can be awarded contracts throughout the duration of the contract.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Basic Selection Criteria / Service User Choice / Weighting: 100

Price - Weighting: As per submission

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: Yes

Description of options

The proposed contract is to be let with an option to extend for a further 2 periods of 24 months each from the actual end date.

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

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

28 August 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

Connect Exec

Braintree

CM7 3GB

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKJ4 - Kent

Companies House

11385765

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Lowest offer: £1 / Highest offer: £3,000,000 taken into consideration

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Precision Resource Group Limited

Bristol

BS1 4JZ

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKK1 - Gloucestershire, Wiltshire and Bristol/Bath area

Companies House

09573050

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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Lowest offer: £1 / Highest offer: £3,000,000 taken into consideration

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V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

14 September 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

Reed Talent Solutions

London

WC2A 1DT

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKI - London

Companies House

11875450

The contractor is an SME

No

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

Lowest offer: £1 / Highest offer: £3,000,000 taken into consideration

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

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 do not apply to this award.

Officers of Children and Young Peoples Services Management Team were the decision makers.

There were no Conflicts of interest identified among the Children and Young Peoples Services Management Team.

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

NHS England (PSR Review Panel)

PO Box 16738

Redditch

B97 9PT

Country

United Kingdom