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Contract

## Core Counselling Services in Northamptonshire

NHS NORTHAMPTONSHIRE INTEGRATED CARE BOARD

North Northamptonshire Council

West Northamptonshire Council

F03: Contract award notice

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### Section I: Contracting authority

#### I.1) Name and addresses

NHS NORTHAMPTONSHIRE INTEGRATED CARE BOARD

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Kettering

NN156EY

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[agem.procurementnorthants@nhs.net](mailto:agem.procurementnorthants@nhs.net)

#### Country

United Kingdom

#### Region code

UKF25 - North Northamptonshire

**NHS Organisation Data Service**

QPM

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://www.icnorthyamptshire.org.uk/icb/>

**I.1) Name and addresses**

North Northamptonshire Council

The Cube, George Street

Corby

NN17 1QG

**Email**

[procurement@northnorthants.gov.uk](mailto:procurement@northnorthants.gov.uk)

**Country**

United Kingdom

**Region code**

UKF25 - North Northamptonshire

**NHS Organisation Data Service**

Z9D4Z

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://www.northnorthants.gov.uk/>

**I.1) Name and addresses**

West Northamptonshire Council

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Northampton

NN1 1ED

**Email**

[procurement@westnorthants.gov.uk](mailto:procurement@westnorthants.gov.uk)

**Country**

United Kingdom

**Region code**

UKF24 - West Northamptonshire

**NHS Organisation Data Service**

U6Q5Z

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://www.westnorthants.gov.uk/>

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

The contract involves joint procurement

**I.4) Type of the contracting authority**

Body governed by public law

**I.5) Main activity**

Health

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## **Section II: Object**

### **II.1) Scope of the procurement**

#### **II.1.1) Title**

Core Counselling Services in Northamptonshire

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

- 85100000 - Health services

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

Services

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

The aim of the service is to;

- Deliver early intervention and prevention
- Address needs including emotional, social and environmental factors
- Provide specialised support
- Collaborate and integrate with local partnerships
- Reduce admissions

#### **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: £1,202,000

## **II.2) Description**

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

NUTS codes

- UKF24 - West Northamptonshire

- UKF25 - North Northamptonshire

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

This service specification has been developed to support delivery of the Northamptonshire Health and Wellbeing Strategy and relevant outcomes set out in the Public Health Outcomes Framework.

There are growing inequalities in outcomes related to socio-economic status and outcomes for children become progressively worse the further down the socio-economic spectrum. The service aims to deliver improved outcomes for all young people and shall allocate resources in proportion to need, based on a proportionate universalist model that aims to bring the outcomes for vulnerable children who in line with the outcomes of children generally.

It is intended that a contract will be awarded for 1 year (20th November 2025 to 31st March 2026) with the option to extend for a further 12 months in accordance with the Direct Award Process C (DAP C) of the Providers Selection Regime (PSR) (2023). The anticipated annual value of the contract is £601,000 The key criteria used to assess the provider were the following:

- quality and innovation
- value
- integration, collaboration and service sustainability
- improving access and reducing health inequalities
- social value.

An assessment of suitability has been completed and NICB are assured that the current providers are satisfying the existing contract and will likely satisfy the proposed contract to a sufficient standard and meet the key criteria above. Declarations and conflicts of interest were assessed, and none were identified.

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

Cost criterion - Name: The existing provider is satisfying the original contract and will likely satisfy the proposed contract to a sufficient standard / Weighting: 100

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

Options: Yes

Description of options

Option to extend for 12 months.

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## **Section IV. Procedure**

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

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

Award of a contract without prior publication of a call for competition in the cases listed below

- The procurement falls outside the scope of application of the regulations

Explanation:

'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 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 19/11/2025. This contract has not yet formally been awarded; this notice serves as an intention to award under the PSR'.

#### **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**

Notice number: [2099/S 001-999999](#)

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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**

5 September 2025

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

Number of tenders received: 1

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: No

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

Service Six

Wellingborough

NN8 3LT

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKF25 - North Northamptonshire

Companies House

06740611

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £1

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Number of tenders received: 1

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: No

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

The Lowdown

Northampton

NN1 1PP

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKF24 - West Northamptonshire

Charity Commission (England and Wales)

1197273

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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Number of tenders received: 1

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

Time2Talk

Daventry

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKF24 - West Northamptonshire

Charity Commission (England and Wales)

802472

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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Number of tenders received: 1

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: No

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

CHAT Youth Counselling

Oundle

PE8 4BW

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKH11 - Peterborough

Charity Commission (England and Wales)

1179806

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

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Number of tenders received: 1

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: No

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

Youth Works Northamptonshire

Kettering

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKF25 - North Northamptonshire

Charity Commission (England and Wales)

1177502

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.3) Additional information**

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Written representations should be sent to [agem.procurementnorthants@nhs.net](mailto:agem.procurementnorthants@nhs.net)

The decision for this award was undertaken by the acting CFO at NHS Northamptonshire ICB. There were no Conflicts of Interest declared or identified by individuals making the decision. The Key Criteria was assessed by the weighting below;

Key criteria weighting:

- quality and innovation 30%
- value 15%
- integration, collaboration and service sustainability 15%
- improving access and reducing health inequalities 30%
- social value. 10%

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

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

NHS Northamptonshire Integrated Care Board

Haylock House, Kettering Parkway, Venture Park

Kettering

NN15 6EY

Country

United Kingdom

