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Contract

## **Social Security Independent Advocacy Service 2026-2028**

Scottish Government

F03: Contract award notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-0556c4

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

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

Scottish Government

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#### **Contact**

Caroline Little

#### **Email**

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#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **NUTS code**

UKM - Scotland

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<http://www.scotland.gov.uk>

Buyer's address

[https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search\\_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA10482](https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA10482)

**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**

General public services

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**Section II: Object**

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

**II.1.1) Title**

Social Security Independent Advocacy Service 2026-2028

Reference number

CASE/746873

**II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 98200000 - Equal opportunities consultancy services

**II.1.3) Type of contract**

Services

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

Social Security Independent Advocacy Service 2026-2028 for an initial 2 year period

#### **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: £3,236,790

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

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

NUTS codes

- UKM - Scotland

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

Social Security Independent Advocacy Service 2026-2028 for an initial 2 year period.

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

Quality criterion - Name: Technical / Weighting: 70

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Price - Weighting: 30

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

Options: No

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

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

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## **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: Yes

### **IV.2) Administrative information**

#### **IV.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure**

Notice number: [2025/S 000-036430](#)

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

### **Contract No**

CASE/746873

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

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

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

10 November 2025

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

Number of tenders received: 5

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 3

Number of tenders received from tenderers from other EU Member States: 0

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 5

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 5

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

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

Advice Direct Scotland Limited

Mercantile Chambers, 39-69 Bothwell Street, Glasgow, Scotland

Glasgow

G2 6TS

Email

[pamela.stewart@advice.scot](mailto:pamela.stewart@advice.scot)

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £3,236,790

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

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

The buyer is using PCS-Tender to conduct this ITT exercise. The Project code is 29567.

For more information see:

<http://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk>

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

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

Glasgow Sheriff Court and Justice of the Peace Court

1 Carlton Place

Glasgow

G5 9DA

Country

United Kingdom