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Contract

Social Security Independent Advocacy Service 2026-2028

Scottish Government

F03: Contract award notice

Notice identifier: 2025/S 000-072470

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

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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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=AA1048 2

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

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

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: <u>2025/S 000-036430</u>

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

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Glasgow

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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

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