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Contract

## **Gigabit Infrastructure Subsidy Programme DPS Lot 14 102754 North Dorset**

Department for Science, Innovation and Technology

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### **Section I: Contracting authority/entity**

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

Department for Science, Innovation and Technology

100 Parliament Street

London

SW1A 2BQ

#### **Contact**

Contract Management Team

#### **Email**

[bduksuppliers@bduk.gov.uk](mailto:bduksuppliers@bduk.gov.uk)

#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **NUTS code**

UKI32 - Westminster

### **Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/department-for-science-innovation-and-technology>

Buyer's address

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/department-for-science-innovation-and-technology>

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## **Section II: Object**

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

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

Gigabit Infrastructure Subsidy Programme DPS Lot 14 102754 North Dorset

Reference number

C0050

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

- 64200000 - Telecommunications services

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

Services

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

#### **II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 64200000 - Telecommunications services

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

NUTS codes

- UKK2 - Dorset and Somerset

Main site or place of performance

Dorset CC

**II.2.4) Description of the procurement at the time of conclusion of the contract:**

The Gigabit Infrastructure Subsidy programme is a government programme aimed to support the build of gigabit-capable broadband infrastructure in the areas of the UK which are unlikely to attract commercial investment for gigabit-capable broadband infrastructure within a reasonable timeframe, if at all, referred to as the final 20% (f20). Building Digital UK (BDUK, a unit within DSIT) will be targeting its market intervention in these areas of the UK via this subsidy award programme, to subsidise the build of gigabit-capable networks providing long-term, sustainable availability of wholesale gigabit broadband services in the hardest to reach parts of the UK. The Gigabit Infrastructure Subsidy programme builds on the success of existing programmes being delivered by BDUK to deliver gigabit-capable networks across the UK. It is envisaged this programme will last for up to 9 years and award contracts throughout that period.

**II.2.7) Duration of the contract, framework agreement, dynamic purchasing system or concession**

Start date

28 August 2022

End date

5 December 2032

In the case of framework agreements, provide justification for any duration exceeding 4 years

2014/25/EU justification

**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.2) Administrative information

#### IV.2.1) Contract award notice concerning this contract

Notice number: [2024/S 000-015273](#)

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## Section V. Award of contract/concession

### Contract No

C0050

### Lot No

14

### Title

Gigabit Infrastructure Subsidy Programme DPS Lot 14 102754 North Dorset

### V.2) Award of contract/concession

#### V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract/concession award decision:

28 August 2022

#### V.2.2) Information about tenders

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

#### V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor/concessionaire

Wessex Internet Limited

The Estate Office, Ranston, Blandford, Dorset, DT11 8PU

Blandford

DT11 8PU

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

No

#### **V.2.4) Information on value of the contract/lot/concession (at the time of conclusion of the contract;excluding VAT)**

Total value of the procurement: £6,325,000

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

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

Contract Standard Selection Questionnaire (SQ), Regional Supplier Contract ITT and Regional Supplier Contract will be available to Suppliers via our e-tendering system. Suppliers must register onto the system to have access to view these documents. Registration is free to Suppliers and the link to the e-tendering site can be found here; <https://bduk.force.com/s/Welcome>

DSIT reserves the right not to award a Regional Supplier Contract under this procurement, to cancel the procurement process at any time and to change the procurement process (including any requirement or deadline).

DSIT reserves the right not to proceed with, to cancel or to adjust the Deferred Scope as referred to in II.2.4 above, in particular as a result of the authorisation process provided for in the contract.

DSIT shall not be responsible for any costs, charges or expenses incurred by Suppliers and accepts no liability for any costs, charges or expenses in relation to the process to award the Regional Supplier Contract, including if the procurement process is cancelled, amended or delayed.

Suppliers are advised that DSIT is subject to the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (the "Act") If a Supplier considers that any of the information supplied as part of this procurement procedure should not be disclosed because of its commercial sensitivity, confidentiality or otherwise, it must, when providing this information, clearly identify the specific information it does not wish to be disclosed and clearly specify the reasons for its sensitivity. DSIT shall take such statements into consideration in the event that it receives a request pursuant to the Act which relates to the information provided by the interested party. Please note that it is not sufficient to include a statement of confidentiality encompassing all the information provided in the response.

DSIT will follow the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 (as amended) to award the Regional Supplier Contract.

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

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

Royal Courts of Justice

Strand, Holborn

London

WC2A 2LL

Country

United Kingdom

Internet address

<https://www.find-court-tribunal.service.gov.uk/courts/royal-courts-of-justice>

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## **Section VII: Modifications to the contract/concession**

### **VII.1) Description of the procurement after the modifications**

#### **VII.1.1) Main CPV code**

- 64200000 - Telecommunications services

#### **VII.1.3) Place of performance**

NUTS code

- UKK2 - Dorset and Somerset

Main site or place of performance

Dorset CC

#### **VII.1.4) Description of the procurement:**

The Gigabit Infrastructure Subsidy programme is a government programme aimed to support the build of gigabit-capable broadband infrastructure in the areas of the UK which are unlikely to attract commercial investment for gigabit-capable broadband infrastructure within a reasonable timeframe, if at all, referred to as the final 20% (f20). Building Digital UK (BDUK, a unit of DSIT) will be targeting its market intervention in these areas of the UK via this subsidy award programme, to subsidise the build of gigabit-capable networks providing long-term, sustainable availability of wholesale gigabit broadband services in the hardest to reach parts of the UK. The Gigabit Infrastructure Subsidy programme builds on the success of existing programmes being delivered by BDUK to deliver gigabit-capable networks across the UK. It is envisaged this programme will last for up to 9 years and award contracts throughout that period.

#### **VII.1.5) Duration of the contract, framework agreement, dynamic purchasing system or concession**

Start date

28 August 2022

End date

5 December 2032

In the case of framework agreements, provide justification for any duration exceeding 4 years:

The contract is divided into three stages (Stage 1 design six months, Stage 2 build four

years and Stage 3 Monitor and Clawback seven years)

#### **VII.1.6) Information on value of the contract/lot/concession (excluding VAT)**

Total value of the contract/lot/concession:

£6,448,859

#### **VII.1.7) Name and address of the contractor/concessionaire**

Wessex Internet Limited

The Estate Office, Ranston, Blandford, Dorset, DT11 8PU

Blandford

DT11 8PU

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

No

#### **VII.2) Information about modifications**

##### **VII.2.1) Description of the modifications**

Nature and extent of the modifications (with indication of possible earlier changes to the contract):

The contract has decreased by £61,124 from a value of £6,509,983 resulting in a value of £6,448,859. The awarded premises have decreased by 229 premises from a scope of 6,712 premises to result in a total of 6,483 premises.

##### **VII.2.2) Reasons for modification**

Need for additional works, services or supplies by the original contractor/concessionaire.

Description of the economic or technical reasons and the inconvenience or duplication of cost preventing a change of contractor:

Additional scope added to the contract in accordance with the UK subsidy control regime.

**VII.2.3) Increase in price**

Updated total contract value before the modifications (taking into account possible earlier contract modifications, price adaptions and average inflation)

Value excluding VAT: £6,509,983

Total contract value after the modifications

Value excluding VAT: £6,448,859