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Award

PREP GLL Library

Ministry of Justice

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Changes to notice

This notice has been edited. The [previous version](#) is still available.

Updated following initial review.

Scope

Description

To A contract to provide and safeguard statutory provision of prison library services at HMP Bure, HMP Norwich, HMP The Mount and HMP Wayland.

Contract 1. con_25268 Contract for the Provision of Library Services at HMP Bure HMP Norwich HMP The Mount and HMP Wayland

Supplier

- Greenwich Leisure Ltd

Contract value

- £1,752,534.78 excluding VAT
- £2,103,041.73 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Earliest date the contract will be signed

18 August 2025

Contract dates (estimated)

- 1 September 2025 to 31 March 2029
- 3 years, 7 months

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 75231230 - Prison services

Participation

Particular suitability

Voluntary, community and social enterprises (VCSE)

Other information

Description of risks to contract performance

The value of the direct award would be circa £1.8 million and therefore above the light touch threshold of £663,540, as such, MOJ would need to be able to rely on the justifications contained in Schedule 5 of PA 2023 in order to directly award to an LA or to a private organisation/social enterprise e.g. evidence that this award used the 'Urgency Exemption' limb.

To note, the contract was signed 30.06.25 and the actual start date was 01.07.25.

This notice was not actioned due the short timescale and ensuring all governance was applied.

Conflicts assessment prepared/revised

Yes

Procedure

Procedure type

Direct award

Special regime

Light touch

Direct award justification

Extreme and unavoidable urgency

The direct award of library services to the supplier are strictly necessary for reasons of extreme and unavoidable urgency. This is because the authority has a statutory obligation to provide prison library services and service provision cannot be disrupted. Given these reasons of extreme and unavoidable urgency, these services cannot be awarded on the basis of a competitive tendering procedure. The urgency is unavoidable as it is not attributable to any act or omission of the contracting authority and could not have been foreseen by the contracting authority. 8. The business owner's requirement is to maintain current delivery and system stability, with future contracts being based on the services currently delivered, with all Terms and Conditions and value remaining unchanged.

Supplier

Greenwich Leisure Ltd

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Region: UKI51 - Bexley and Greenwich

Small or medium-sized enterprise (SME): No

Voluntary, community or social enterprise (VCSE): Yes

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Contracting authority

Ministry of Justice

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PBBY-5923-HVDX

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London

SW1H 9AJ

United Kingdom

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<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/ministry-of-justice/about/procurement>

Region: UKI32 - Westminster

Organisation type: Public authority - central government