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Planning

Advocacy Services in Aberdeen City

Aberdeen City Council

F01: Prior information notice

Prior information only

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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Buyer's address

https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA00231

I.3) Communication

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Regional or local authority

I.5) Main activity

General public services

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Advocacy Services in Aberdeen City

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 85000000 - Health and social work services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

The Aberdeen City Health and Social Care Partnership (ACHSCP) and its partner agencies Aberdeen City Council and NHS Grampian are currently considering the future provision of advocacy services within the city.

We require a flexible and responsive provider with proven experience in the delivery of effective, independent advocacy services to provide the required type of advocacy – one-to-one, collective and non-instructed - in accordance with Scottish Independent Advocacy Alliance principles, standards and codes of practice, and within agreed referral timescales and durations of time so that identified outcomes can be fulfilled.

Advocacy referrals may come from a wide range of client groups including: Mental Health, Learning Disability, Older People, Physical Disabilities, Problematic Substance Use, Unpaid Carers and individuals who are involved in the ASP process. The provider should be able to demonstrate experience in working with all of these client groups, understand their strategic and statutory context and be able to offer appropriate advice, guidance and support in respect of the issues that can arise for individuals from one or more of these groups.

The estimated total contract value is based on a contract length of 5 years (3 plus 2yrs potential extension). This contract value may vary depending on confirmation of available funding.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £2,239,941

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 85000000 - Health and social work services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKM50 - Aberdeen City and Aberdeenshire

Main site or place of performance

Aberdeen City

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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This is not a call for competition. As part of market testing activity the Council is seeking to engage with providers with experience of developing and delivering similar services for whom this would be an opportunity of interest in the event of a single lot sourcing strategy being approved that supports an open tender through PCS-T

II.2.14) Additional information

Providers willing to engage further with the Council with no commitment to themselves or the Council are asked to submit a brief (one page) outline of their capacity and capability to respond to the overall service requirement by e-mail to catking@aberdeencity.gov.uk by 27 January 2023.

Please note that details in this PIN are subject to being updated or changed in any final contract notice.

II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

21 April 2023

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.8) Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: No

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

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