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Planning

Framework Agreement for Supported Living Services for Adults with Mental Health Needs

City & County of Swansea

F21: Social and other specific services – public contracts

Prior information notice without call for competition

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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NUTS code

UKL18 - Swansea

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Main address

http://www.swansea.gov.uk/dobusiness

Buyer's address

https://www.sell2wales.gov.wales/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA0254

I.2) Information about joint procurement

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

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

Framework Agreement for Supported Living Services for Adults with Mental Health Needs

II.1.2) Main CPV code

• 85320000 - Social services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Swansea Council has published this Prior Information Notice (PIN) to inform organisations of its intentions in respect of supported living services for adults with mental health needs.

The Council is working in partnership with the Swansea Bay University Health Board with the intention of establishing a Framework Agreement for providers with the capacity and expertise to deliver care and support to people with mental health needs.

There will be two Lots on the Framework Agreement:-

- 1) The first will be for service providers who can effectively operate supported living projects at designated properties. The Framework Agreement will facilitate the award of a block contract for each project. The aim of these projects will be to help people to recover and live independent lives, but it will primarily be achieved via the provision of 'support' as opposed to 'care'. Please note that successful providers will be expected to have the capability to undertake some care tasks, particularly around medication management and compliance, as and when this is required.
- 2) The second Lot will be used to commission services for people with greater care needs. The Framework will enable the Partners to commission individual packages of care and support for people living in their own home or shared housing. Every individual has different needs and the service should build on their unique strengths. However, the service provider must have the capacity to undertake personal care tasks where this is required and may, in some cases, be expected to keep people safe by enforcing the conditions of a lawful deprivation and or a Community Treatment or Guardianship Order.

Prospective providers do not necessarily need to have sourced accommodation to be on the Framework Agreement, but they will need to share the view of the Council and Health Board that:

- people should be able to have access to modern supported living services that enable them to lead fulfilled and independent lives;
- people prefer to be less, rather than more, dependent;
- services should be outcome-focused;
- services should be delivered in a manner which is planned and pro-active, and ensure recovery is not forgotten or displaced;

- people should be central to how they receive services as they are more likely to progress when it is something that they have chosen to do and something that matters to them; and
- it is necessary for people to take proportionate risks if they are to progress.

Supported living is not a prescriptive model which means services can look quite different in their appearance. The Council is open to consider innovative models.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £80,000,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Supported Living Projects at Designated Properties

Lot No

1

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 85320000 Social services
- 85311000 Social work services with accommodation
- 85310000 Social work services
- 85300000 Social work and related services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

UKL18 - Swansea

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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contract for each project. The aim of these projects will be to help people to recover and live independent lives, but it will primarily be achieved via the provision of 'support' as opposed to 'care'. Please note that successful providers will be expected to have the capability to undertake some care tasks, particularly around medication management and compliance, as and when this is required.

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Individual packages of care and support for people living in their own home or shared housing

Lot No

2

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 85300000 Social work and related services
- 85310000 Social work services
- 85311000 Social work services with accommodation
- 85320000 Social services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

• UKL18 - Swansea

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

17 April 2023

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

Interested organisations are invited to initially submit an expression of interest to Swansea Council: <u>Christopher.Francis@swansea.gov.uk</u> by 4pm pm on 31st January 2023 with the following information:

- 1) Name of your organisation and brief description of its background and experience
- 2) Would you be interested in tendering for the service described above? If yes, please explain full detail of what you are able to provide.
- 3) Do you have the current capacity to deliver the required objectives and availability of resources?
- 4) Other comments or suggestions

Interested organisations may also want to note that the Council is going to be developing a framework agreement for domiciliary care services for adults with one or more of the following needs: mental health, physical disability, learning disability, and acquired brain injury. A separate Prior Information Notice has been developed in respect of domiciliary care.

This exercise will not be used for the purposes of short-listing at a later stage and non-participation will not restrict access to any tender opportunity that might follow from this exercise.

Swansea Council reserves the final right to follow what it considers to be the most appropriate approach to market and will not meet any costs incurred by any party in responding to this exercise. Having considered all representations Swansea Council reserves the right to package the requirements in such a way as to offer the most cost effective, sustainable solutions.

The estimated date for publication of the contract notices is subject to change depending on the outcome of this PIN notice and market testing exercise. Please note the purpose of this notice is to notify the market on the upcoming Framework Agreement which will be tendered in the coming months.

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