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## **Provision of Care Homes for Adults under 65**

Falkirk Council

F21: Social and other specific services – public contracts

Contract notice

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### **Section I: Contracting authority**

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

Falkirk Council

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Larbert

FK5 4RU

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#### **Telephone**

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#### **Country**

United Kingdom

## **NUTS code**

UKM76 - Falkirk

## **Internet address(es)**

Main address

<http://www.falkirk.gov.uk>

Buyer's address

[https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search\\_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA00184](https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA00184)

## **I.3) Communication**

The procurement documents are available for unrestricted and full direct access, free of charge, at

[www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk](http://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk)

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

[www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk](http://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk)

Electronic communication requires the use of tools and devices that are not generally available. Unrestricted and full direct access to these tools and devices is possible, free of charge, at

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## **I.4) Type of the contracting authority**

Regional or local authority

## **I.5) Main activity**

General public services

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## **Section II: Object**

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

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

Provision of Care Homes for Adults under 65

Reference number

AS/007/24

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

- 85000000 - Health and social work services

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

Services

#### **II.1.4) Short description**

Support Arrangements made under the Adults Care Homes Under 65 Framework for individuals with Learning Disability/Autism, Mental Health, Physical Disabilities and Drugs and Alcohol Related Brain Injury and who may also have complex needs and/or display some signs of stress and distress.

The Framework will be categorised into four separate lots and it is anticipated that Providers will tender for the lot(s) relevant to their Care Inspectorate Registration which details their Care Category and Service Type Detail.

#### **II.1.5) Estimated total value**

Value excluding VAT: £140,000,000

#### **II.1.6) Information about lots**

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

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

#### **II.2.1) Title**

Care Homes for Adults under 65 with LD

Lot No

1

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

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

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

NUTS codes

- UKM76 - Falkirk

## **II.2.4) Description of the procurement**

This lot is for individuals with LD/Autism who may have a range of complex needs and display signs of stress and distress, but not limited to including autism spectrum disorder, physical disabilities, sensory impairment, complex health needs, restricted communication and behaviour which challenges services, mental health needs, offending behaviour, or a combination of these.

## **II.2.7) Duration of the contract or the framework agreement**

Start date

1 April 2024

End date

31 March 2031

## **II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds**

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union

funds: No

### **II.2.14) Additional information**

It is the intention of the Council that any Framework Agreement resulting from this ITT will commence on 1st April 2024 for a period of 4 years. At the Council's sole option, any Framework Agreement may be extended for up to a further 36 months.

## **II.2) Description**

### **II.2.1) Title**

Care Homes for Adults under 65 with MH

Lot No

2

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

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

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

NUTS codes

- UKM76 - Falkirk

### **II.2.4) Description of the procurement**

This lot is for individuals with mental health disabilities who may have a range of complex needs and display signs of stress and distress, but not limited to including schizophrenia, bipolar or manic-depressive disorder, depression, anxiety disorder, severe affective disorder, personality disorder, disorders resulting from previous addiction, eating disorders and self-harming behaviours, past/current trauma, and gender-based issues. Individuals within this category are typically individuals who have been diagnosed as having a severe and enduring mental illness and are acutely unwell or have long term mental illness which significantly

impacts their functioning and motivation to care independently for themselves and their ability to sustain relationships. They may lead chaotic lifestyles leading to recurring crises and may also present significant risk to their own safety or that of others.

## **II.2.7) Duration of the contract or the framework agreement**

Start date

1 April 2024

End date

31 March 2031

## **II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds**

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

## **II.2.14) Additional information**

It is the intention of the Council that any Framework Agreement resulting from this ITT will commence on 1st April 2024 for a period of 4 years. At the Council's sole option, any Framework Agreement may be extended for up to a further 36 months.

## **II.2) Description**

### **II.2.1) Title**

Care Homes for Adults under 65 with PD

Lot No

3

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

- 85310000 - Social work services
- 85311000 - Social work services with accommodation
- 85320000 - Social services

- 85300000 - Social work and related services

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

NUTS codes

- UKM76 - Falkirk

### **II.2.4) Description of the procurement**

This lot is for individuals with physical disabilities who may have a range of complex needs and display signs of stress and distress but not limited to physical, neurological, and social needs. These health care issues may include hearing, speech or visual impairment, Alzheimer's, dementia, epilepsy, diabetes, or a stroke. Other health care issues that may require more complex care include but are not limited to brain damage, spinal cord injuries, multiple sclerosis, muscular dystrophy, ventilators, gastrostomy feed needs such as PEG, supra pubic catheters, epilepsy, Parkinson's disease, Huntington's disease, hypoxic brain injury, COPD, previous drug/alcohol abuse, subarachnoid haemorrhage, alcohol related brain injury, Lewy body dementia, bariatric clients, battens disease, down syndrome, clients who may require suction and piped oxygen, tracheostomy (which may only be available in specific care homes) - list not exhaustive.

### **II.2.7) Duration of the contract or the framework agreement**

Start date

1 April 2024

End date

31 March 2031

### **II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds**

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

### **II.2.14) Additional information**

It is the intention of the Council that any Framework Agreement resulting from this ITT will commence on 1st April 2024 for a period of 4 years. At the Council's sole option, any Framework Agreement may be extended for up to a further 36 months.

## **II.2) Description**

### **II.2.1) Title**

Care Homes for Adults under 65 with Drugs and Alcohol Related Brain Injury

Lot No

4

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

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

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

NUTS codes

- UKM76 - Falkirk

### **II.2.4) Description of the procurement**

This lot covers individuals with drugs and alcohol related brain injury (ARBI) who may have a range of complex needs and display signs of stress and distress.

ARBI refers to a large spectrum of disorders which affect cognition, achieved through excessive alcohol consumption (Alzheimer's Society, 2015). This can lead to physical and mental impairments and most individuals with ARBI will exhibit problems with short term memory and recall associated with change and damage to the frontal lobe of the brain.

These changes often result in cognitive impairments, which can interfere with an individual's ability to function independently, specifically in areas such as memory, attention, planning, judgement, and processing of new information. These difficulties are often accompanied by personality and behavioural changes, which can result in increased risk behaviour. Importantly, ARBI has the potential for recovery. Evidence suggests that 75% of patients diagnosed with ARBI have scope for some level of recovery with the right treatment and rehabilitation. The remaining 25% are likely to halt any deterioration with abstinence.



## **II.2.7) Duration of the contract or the framework agreement**

Start date

1 April 2024

End date

31 March 2031

## **II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds**

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

## **II.2.14) Additional information**

It is the intention of the Council that any Framework Agreement resulting from this ITT will commence on 1st April 2024 for a period of 4 years. At the Council's sole option, any Framework Agreement may be extended for up to a further 36 months.

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## **Section III. Legal, economic, financial and technical information**

### **III.1) Conditions for participation**

#### **III.1.4) Objective rules and criteria for participation**

List and brief description of rules and criteria

Registration with the Care Inspectorate (CI) and Scottish Social Services Council in accordance with Regulation of Care (Scotland) Act 2001 for delivery of services under this Framework Agreement.

Providers must have and maintain a CI grade of four (4) or above for all Key Questions.

A Provider awarded a CI grade of three (3) must demonstrate that they have a robust Service Improvement Plan in place agreed with the CI.

It is a requirement that bidders hold, or can commit to obtain prior to the commencement of any subsequently awarded contract, the

following types/levels of insurance as a minimum:

Employer's (Compulsory) Liability Insurance = 10M GBP

Public Liability Insurance = 10M GBP

Professional Indemnity Insurance = 5M GBP

Medical Malpractice - 5M GBP

Providers must commit to the principles of Fair Work First including confirmation of payment of the Real Living Wage.

Pass the assessment for mandatory and discretionary grounds for exclusion.

## **III.2) Conditions related to the contract**

### **III.2.1) Information about a particular profession**

Execution of the service is reserved to a particular profession

Reference to the relevant law, regulation or administrative provision

Registration with the Care Inspectorate and Scottish Social Services Council in accordance with Regulation of Care (Scotland) Act 2001 as amended.

Bidders should provide Registration number(s) etc at Section 4A.2 in the SPD.

### **III.2.2) Contract performance conditions**

During the course of the framework agreement, providers will be required to maintain relevant registration with the Care Inspectorate and strive to ensure that they maintain a grade of 4 or above across all key questions.

Providers must maintain a satisfactory risk rating via Falkirk HSCP contract monitoring.

Providers must comply with Fair Work First commitments including payment of the Real Living Wage.

Providers must comply with their commitments on Community Benefits, Climate Change and Modern Slavery.

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## **Section IV. Procedure**

### **IV.1) Description**

#### **IV.1.1) Form of procedure**

Open procedure

#### **IV.1.3) Information about a framework agreement**

The procurement involves the establishment of a framework agreement

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

Health & Social Care Framework that can permit new entrants throughout its duration.

#### **IV.1.10) Identification of the national rules applicable to the procedure**

Information about national procedures is available at:

<https://www.legislation.gov.uk/ssi/2015/446/part/2/chapter/3/crossheading/social-and-other-specific-services/made>

#### **IV.1.11) Main features of the award procedure**

Please refer to Schedule 1 - Instructions to Tenderers

### **IV.2) Administrative information**

#### **IV.2.2) Time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate**

Date

5 February 2024

Local time

11:00am

#### **IV.2.4) Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted**

English

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.2) Information about electronic workflows**

Electronic ordering will be used

Electronic invoicing will be accepted

Electronic payment will be used

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

The scope of services to be provided under this Framework falls within the definition of social and other specific services in Schedule 3 to the Public Contracts (Scotland) Regulations 2015 ("the Regulations") and therefore the procurement process shall be subject to the requirements of section 7 of the Regulations.

SPPN 7/2021 may apply.

Reserve right to open Framework to new entrants. New Entrants will be subject to the same requirements as detailed in this Contract Notice and Tender Documents. New Entrants can apply by making initial contact to [cpu@falkirk.gov.uk](mailto:cpu@falkirk.gov.uk).

NOTE: To register your interest in this notice and obtain any additional information please visit the Public Contracts Scotland Web Site at [https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/Search/Search\\_Switch.aspx?ID=753122](https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/Search/Search_Switch.aspx?ID=753122).

The buyer has indicated that it will accept electronic responses to this notice via the Postbox facility. A user guide is available at [https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/sitehelp/help\\_guides.aspx](https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/sitehelp/help_guides.aspx).

Suppliers are advised to allow adequate time for uploading documents and to dispatch the electronic response well in advance of the closing time to avoid any last minute problems.

A sub-contract clause has been included in this contract. For more information see: <http://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/info/InfoCentre.aspx?ID=2363>

Community benefits are included in this requirement. For more information see: <https://www.gov.scot/policies/public-sector-procurement/community-benefits-in-procurement/>

A summary of the expected community benefits has been provided as follows:

Please refer to tender documents.

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

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

Court of Session

Edinburgh

Country

United Kingdom