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## **MARKET ENGAGEMENT: Welfare Support Grant Framework**

Gloucestershire County Council

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

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Main address

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Buyer's address

<https://www.gloucestershire.gov.uk>

**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

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**Section II: Object****II.1) Scope of the procurement****II.1.1) Title**

MARKET ENGAGEMENT: Welfare Support Grant Framework

Reference number

DN758360

**II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 75310000 - Benefit services

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

Services

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

Market Engagement Online event Monday 27th January 2025 11 – 12noon for

Gloucestershire Single Provider Framework: Lot 1 Welfare Support and Lot 2 Emergency Welfare Schemes

Gloucestershire County Council is holding a market engagement event for suppliers interested to find out more about the single provider Framework to deliver two lots.

The Gloucestershire Welfare Support Scheme and the Emergency Welfare Scheme, that will shortly be going out to tender.

The session will provide an overview of the tender process alongside further details regarding the requirements for the services to be provided.

If your organisation would like to attend please register your interest via the e-tendering portal using project reference DN758360, please use the messaging function confirming attendance and email address for the meeting invite to be sent to by 23rd January 2025, and a link to attend the meeting will be sent to you.

There will be an opportunity to ask questions during the event and you are welcome to submit questions via the e-tending portal messaging function prior to the session by 23rd January 2025.

If you are unable to attend but are interested in the opportunity please register via our e-tendering portal and send a message confirming that you would like to receive copies of the slides.

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

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

## **II.2) Description**

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

Welfare Support

Lot No

1

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

- 75310000 - Benefit services

**II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UKK13 - Gloucestershire

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

Lot 1 Gloucestershire Welfare Support Scheme (GWSS)

The Council is seeking for a single provider to manage Lot 1 Gloucestershire Welfare Support Scheme (GWSS); which will includes the following two strands:

General welfare support (Strand 1)

- Assess these applicants against set eligibility criteria
- Allocate discretionary awards (furniture, white goods, essential household equipment and fuel / electricity tokens)
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Welfare requests for Individuals received from Council workers or workers nominated by Council (Strand 2)

- These will not need to be assessed
- Allocate discretionary awards (food delivery, fuel / electricity top up, furniture, white goods and essential household equipment)
- ? Ensure delivery of the welfare support awards, predominately voucher and non-cash awards
- ? Analyse demand and manage budget
- ? Liaise with suppliers

There is an expectation, where possible, the use of recycled goods, Local suppliers and vouchers; and that cash payments will be kept to an absolute minimum.

## **II.2) Description**

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

Emergency Welfare Schemes

Lot No

2

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

- 75310000 - Benefit services

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

NUTS codes

- UKK13 - Gloucestershire

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

The overall aim of the service is to manage an Emergency Welfare Scheme, that provides emergency welfare awards of food and fuel vouchers, white goods & other essentials to support those service users as requested by the Council.

## **II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice**

21 February 2025

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## **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: Yes