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## **Early Learning and Childcare Flexible Framework Agreement**

Shetland Islands Council

F21: Social and other specific services – public contracts

Contract notice

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

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

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UKM66 - Shetland Islands

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Main address

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Buyer's address

[https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search\\_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA00402](https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA00402)

**I.2) Information about joint procurement**

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

**I.3) Communication**

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

<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

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

**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**

Early Learning and Childcare Flexible Framework Agreement

Reference number

E/8/23

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

- 85312110 - Child daycare services

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

Services

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

Applications are being sought for the Provision of Early Learning and Childcare 1140 Hours Funded Providers.

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

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

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

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

Private, Voluntary and Independent Settings

Lot No

1

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

- 80110000 - Pre-school education services
- 85312110 - Child daycare services

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

NUTS codes

- UKM66 - Shetland Islands

Main site or place of performance

Shetland Islands

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

The Flexible Framework is a two-stage procedure. In the initial setup stage, all service providers who meet the Selection Criteria and who are not excluded are admitted to the Flexible Framework. There is no limit on the number of suppliers that may join the Framework.

Procurement of social and other specific services in accordance with Section 7 (Regulations 74-76) Public Contracts (Scotland) Regulations 2015.

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

Duration in months

48

### **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**

Link to 'Funding Follows the Child' Guidance:

<https://www.gov.scot/publications/funding-follows-child-national-standard-early-learning-childcare-providers-frequently-asked-questions-local-authorities-providers/>

## **II.2) Description**

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

Childminders

Lot No

2

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

- 85312110 - Child daycare services
- 80110000 - Pre-school education services

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NUTS codes

- UKM66 - Shetland Islands

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

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

#### **III.2.3) Information about staff responsible for the performance of the contract**

Obligation to indicate the names and professional qualifications of the staff assigned to performing the contract

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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

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

#### **IV.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure**

Notice number: [2019/S 211-518413](#)

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

Date

12 February 2024

Local time

12:00pm

#### **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**

Procurement of social and other specific services in accordance with Section 7 (Regulations 74-76) Public Contracts (Scotland) Regulations 2015.

The contract shall be subject to Scots Law and the jurisdiction of the Scottish Courts.

The Care Inspectorate is the regulatory organisation for these services.

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[https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/Search/Search\\_Switch.aspx?ID=752489](https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/Search/Search_Switch.aspx?ID=752489).

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.

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

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

Lerwick Sheriff Court

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