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Planning

Early Market Engagement - External Fostering

Essex County Council

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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UKH - East of England

Internet address(es)

Main address

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Buyer's address

https://www.essex.gov.uk/

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

Other activity

External Fostering

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Early Market Engagement - External Fostering

Reference number

DN592121

II.1.2) Main CPV code

• 85300000 - Social work and related services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

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II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

• UKH - East of England

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

17 January 2022

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