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## **UKSPF Business Support Innovation Gateway Service**

Telford and Wrekin Council

F02: Contract notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocids-h6vhtk-042da7

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

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

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#### **Country**

United Kingdom

**NUTS code**

UKG21 - Telford and Wrekin

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

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

Buyer's address

<https://in-tendhost.co.uk/telford.aspx/Home>

**I.3) Communication**

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

<https://in-tendhost.co.uk/telford.aspx/Home>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

<https://in-tendhost.co.uk/telford.aspx/Home>

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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**

UKSPF Business Support Innovation Gateway Service

Reference number

TWC000014

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

- 79900000 - Miscellaneous business and business-related services

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

Services

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

The Council is seeking a provider(s) who can deliver the Innovation Gateway Service which will engage with Start-ups and SMEs to promote innovation, assess their ability to innovate, and encourage a culture of innovation in the business. This will be supported by a specialist innovation diagnostic tool to be used on the business to help it understand its attitude to innovation and how, if necessary, it can be changed or improved. Furthermore, the service will offer Innovation Accelerator type provision for aspiring entrepreneurs, new start-ups, and SME businesses (particularly younger businesses) that will equip participants with the skills, knowledge, and mindset to innovate. The service will operate across Telford and Wrekin from 2nd April 2024 until 31 March 2025. The successful supplier will be required to have delivered and completed all activity by the 31st March 2025 (Effective Programme End Date for all UKSPF delivery). The overall contract value across both elements

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

Value excluding VAT: £215,500

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

This contract is divided into lots: No

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

**II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UKG21 - Telford and Wrekin

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

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**II.2.5) Award criteria**

Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

**II.2.7) Duration of the contract, framework agreement or dynamic purchasing system**

Start date

1 March 2024

End date

31 March 2027

This contract is subject to renewal

No

**II.2.10) Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: Yes

**II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: No

### **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**

UK SPF Funding The contract is part-funded by the Government's UK Shared Prosperity Fund (UKSPF). The link <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/uk-shared-prosperity-fund-prospectus/uk-shared-prosperity-fund-prospectus> provides information regarding the use of UKSPF funding and the requirements attached to this.

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

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

#### **III.1.2) Economic and financial standing**

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

#### **III.1.3) Technical and professional ability**

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

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## **Section IV. Procedure**

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

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

Open procedure

#### **IV.1.8) Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)**

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

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

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

Date

15 February 2024

Local time

5:00pm

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

English

#### **IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders**

Date

15 February 2024

Local time

5:00pm

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.1) Information about recurrence**

This is a recurrent procurement: No

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

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

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

Telford & Wrekin Council

Telford

Country

United Kingdom

Internet address

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