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Planning

West Sussex County Council - Adult Education provision from August 2022

West Sussex County Council

F01: Prior information notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

West Sussex County Council

County Hall, West Street, Chichester, West Sussex

Chichester

Email

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Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

UKJ27 - West Sussex (South West)

Internet address(es)

Main address

<http://www.westsussex.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

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

West Sussex County Council - Adult Education provision from August 2022

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 80400000 - Adult and other education services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Soft market testing to inform Adult Education provision from August 2022
Background WSCC currently receives c. £3.1m of ESFA AEB funding annually, c. £1.25m Adult Skills, c. £1.9m Community Learning. WSCC commissions subcontractors to deliver provision for West Sussex residents. Provision is currently delivered in approximately 80 venues across West Sussex to over 3,000 adults each year. Adult Learning Aims The

overarching ambitions for West Sussex County Council's Adult Education Service are:

- To maximise adult participation in education and training in order to achieve economic growth, full employment, social inclusion, community cohesion, health and wellbeing.
- To increase the amount of Adult Skills / employability / digital / access courses available to residents, especially for learners in our most deprived areas and those that have been most impacted by the Covid pandemic.
- To support those whose individual circumstances place them most in need of learning and skills as well as those who may not otherwise have access to learning.

Priority learner groups include:

- Those not in employment and / or in receipt of benefits
- Those with low skill levels
- Those with no qualifications
- Disadvantaged groups or individuals with specific needs, e.g. lone parents, BAME groups, adults with learning difficulties and / or disabilities
- Those who wish to improve their employment and / or further learning opportunities.

Survey WSCC is asking interested parties to complete a short survey to understand market capacity and capability and to inform the next steps in commissioning this service. The survey can be accessed by referring to the Council's e-sourcing platform SE Shared Services <https://in-tendhost.co.uk/sesharedservices.aspx/Home> and searching for the project 'WSCC - JS - Soft market testing to inform Adult Education provision from August 2022'. You will need to register your company to access the document. The deadline for completed surveys is 19/02/2021. Note This exercise does not constitute a call for competition to procure any services, supplies or works for West Sussex County Council.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £1

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKJ27 - West Sussex (South West)

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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II.2.14) Additional information

To register your interest in this notice and obtain any additional information please visit the SE Shared Services portal at <https://in-tendhost.co.uk/sesharedservices.aspx/Home>

II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

1 September 2021

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: No