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Planning

Temporary Accommodation Flexible Purchasing System

The City of Edinburgh Council

F21: Social and other specific services – public contracts

Prior information notice without call for competition

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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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

Temporary Accommodation Flexible Purchasing System

Reference number

CT0627

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 85300000 - Social work and related services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

The City of Edinburgh Council is looking to establish a flexible purchasing system for temporary accommodation, this will be a long-term opportunity with the aim to increase Edinburgh's capacity for temporary accommodation. The Council require accommodation and associated services which are tailored to resident's needs, can adapt by flexing capacity whilst having a focus on value for money and allows continued change and improvement. The system will be similar to a Dynamic Purchasing System however will operate with greater flexibility. The purchasing system will comprise of Categories, each specifying the type of accommodation and services required. Please note, providers will not be required to have a property currently available to engage with the opportunity. The Council will be using the PCS-Tender online portal to run and manage the opportunity, and as such strongly encourage interested potential providers to attend training on the operation of the purchasing system and PCS-T. Please see 'Additional Information' and attached documents for more information.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £430,000,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Temporary Accommodation with Residential Support

Lot No

2

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 85310000 - Social work services
- 85311000 - Social work services with accommodation

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKM75 - Edinburgh, City of

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

This category is designed to provide accommodation with access to residential support. The level of support required may vary per sub-category.

Sub-Categories will be used to further detail the accommodation and support requirements for each method of delivery. Temporary Accommodation which the Council has an immediate need for (please see attached document 'Required Models of Accommodation' for more information;

- Supported Lodgings
- Shared House inclusive of Support

Accommodation with Residential Support will be appropriate for the general homeless population, however some requirements may also require highly specialised support, for specific groups of service users such as;

- age specific
- sex specific
- substance misuse
- domestic abuse experienced

- providers may stipulate if offering a specialised service, which will only be agreed by the Council if required.

There may be further sub-categories which are not open for application initially, this will be clearly communicated and operated in line with the Council's requirements and preferred forms of accommodation.

II.2.14) Additional information

Successful bidders will not be ranked - Mini-Competition will be the predominant call off methodology to reflect the requirement for support, and will be made on the basis of quality cost and capacity. The Council may also Direct Award if required based on resident's interests. Regardless of call off methodology negotiation may be used with the aim of achieving best value for money.

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Temporary Accommodation with Access to Visiting Support

Lot No

1

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 85310000 - Social work services
- 85311000 - Social work services with accommodation

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKM75 - Edinburgh, City of

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Providers will be required to provide accommodation and property management only. Which should allow access to visiting support services if required by residents.

This category is designed to provide accommodation, through various types of accommodation to households who are assessed as homeless.

Sub-Categories will be used to further detail the requirements for the specific types of

accommodation. Temporary Accommodation which the Council has an immediate need for (please see attached document 'Required Models of Accommodation' for more information);

- Private Rented Accommodation
- Home Share
- Shared House (preferred Shared House Accommodation would be self-contained flats within a block).

There may be further sub-categories which are not open for application initially, this will be clearly communicated and operated in line with the Council's requirements and preferred forms of accommodation.

II.2.14) Additional information

Successful bidders will be ranked based on quality and cost. Direct Award will be the predominant call off methodology, and will be made on the basis of capacity, interests of the residents and price. The Council may also from time to time use mini-competitions if required. Regardless of call off methodology, negotiation may be used with the aim of achieving best value for money.

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Emergency Accommodation with Access to Visiting Support

Lot No

3

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 85310000 - Social work services
- 85311000 - Social work services with accommodation

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKM75 - Edinburgh, City of

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

This Category will not be open for applications initially. Where possible, preferred temporary accommodation is self contained for each household or if in shared accommodation has access to facilities such as laundry and kitchen. If there is not enough accommodation to meet demand, the Council will seek to procure emergency accommodation. This would be suitable for B+Bs, Guest Houses and Hotels who are able to make a number of rooms or their whole property available for a period of time or on an ad hoc basis as agreed with the Council. If the opportunity is opened in the future, providers will be required to successfully apply and satisfy all due diligence checks, prior to residents being placed.

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Housing Support, Advice and Support Services

Lot No

4

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 85310000 - Social work services
- 85311000 - Social work services with accommodation
- 85312000 - Social work services without accommodation

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKM75 - Edinburgh, City of

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

This will encompass a range of support services to those currently residing in Temporary Accommodation or threatened by homelessness. The requirement is mainly for support and advice services however may include elements of accommodation.

Future opportunities may include but are not limited to:

- Homelessness Prevention
- Visiting Housing Support

- Advice and Information
- Support and Advocacy

Support will be appropriate for the general homeless population, however some future requirements may also require highly specialised support for specific groups of service users, such as:

- Domestic Abuse experienced residents
- Adults
- Children
- substance misuse
- those of BAME backgrounds

II.2.14) Additional information

Successful bidders will not be ranked - Mini-Competition will be the predominant call off methodology to reflect the requirement for support, and will be made on the basis of quality cost and capacity. The Council may also Direct Award if required based on resident's interests. Regardless of call off methodology negotiation may be used with the aim of achieving best value for money.

II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

31 March 2021

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

Potential suppliers interested in opportunities related to this tender exercise are invited to attend a free Talking Tenders webinar event with The City of Edinburgh Council in partnership with the Supplier Development Programme.

The event is taking place on 23 February 2021 from 2:00pm – 3:30pm.

To register, please visit:

<https://www.sdpScotland.co.uk/events/talking-tenders-with-the-city-of-edinburgh-council-temporary-accommodation-1085/>

Please see additional information in the attached documentation and utilise the Q&A function if you have any questions.

Please note; the information contained within this PIN and attached documents is subject to further development and change.

Please note; the establishment of a Flexible Purchasing System will act as platform for the future procurement of temporary accommodation and as such is not a guarantee of any work.

NOTE: To register your interest in this notice and obtain any additional information please visit the Public Contracts Scotland Web Site at

https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/Search/Search_Switch.aspx?ID=642276.

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