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## **Interpreting and Communication Services for People who are d/Deaf and Deafblind (February 2021)**

Kent County Council

F02: Contract notice

Notice identifier: 2021/S 000-002325

Procurement identifier (OCID): ocids-h6vhtk-02907c

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

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

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UKJ4 - Kent

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

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

Buyer's address

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

**I.3) Communication**

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

[www.kentbusinessportal.org.uk](http://www.kentbusinessportal.org.uk)

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

[www.kentbusinessportal.org.uk](http://www.kentbusinessportal.org.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**

## Interpreting and Communication Services for People who are d/Deaf and Deafblind (February 2021)

Reference number

DN525284

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

- 98300000 - Miscellaneous services

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

Services

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

The council has set up a framework for interpreting and communication services for people who are d/deaf and deafblind to allow the council to buy communication services from a list of approved providers who meet a certain set of minimum standards. The framework commenced on 17 June 2019 and will run until 16 June 2023. The services to be commissioned under the framework will fall into one of the disciplines listed in this notice. Applicants may apply to join the framework within one or more of these disciplines (please download the invitation to tender for a list of the sub-lotting structure).

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

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

Tenders may be submitted for all lots

## **II.2) Description**

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

Lots 1-10: as listed in section II.2.4

Lot No

1-10

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

- 98390000 - Other services

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

NUTS codes

- UKJ4 - Kent

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

Lot 1: Face-to-face interpreting services (verbal);

Lot 2: Face-to-face interpreting services (non-verbal);

Lot 3: Transcription;

Lot 4: Lip speakers;

Lot 5: Speech to text reporters;

Lot 6: Deaf relay;

Lot 7: Translation;

Lot 8: Video interpreting services;

Lot 9: Other sign language Interpreting from an international range of languages;

Lot 10: Trainee interpreters.

The partner organisations with access to the framework are as follows:

- Kent Police,
- Kent Fire and Rescue,
- National Deaf Child and Adolescent Mental Health Service- Kent,
- KMPT (Kent and Medway Partnership Trust), and
- Dover District Council.

At any time during the term of the framework, any of the following public sector organisations may apply to gain access to the framework:

- Medway Council,

- any district council Kent,
- KCHFT (Kent Community Health Foundation Trust),
- NHS England (Kent and Medway) (AKA NHS Commissioning Board),
- Kent & Medway NHS Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG)

The Framework will open for new applications every two months through the Framework period.

#### **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**

End date

16 June 2022

This contract is subject to renewal

No

#### **II.2.10) Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: No

#### **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

## **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: No

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

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

Date

8 March 2021

Local time

12:00pm

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

English

#### **IV.2.6) Minimum time frame during which the tenderer must maintain the tender**

Duration in months: 3 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)

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

Date

8 March 2021

Local time

12:00pm

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

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

This is a recurrent procurement: No

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

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

Kent County Council

Maidstone

ME14 1XQ

Country

United Kingdom