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## **0762 Specialist Adoption and SGO Support Services**

Essex County Council  
Suffolk County Council  
Thurrock District Council

F02: Contract notice

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

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

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**NUTS code**

UKH3 - Essex

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://www.proactisplaza.com/>

Buyer's address

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

**I.1) Name and addresses**

Suffolk County Council

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Ipswich

IP1 2BX

**Email**

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**Country**

United Kingdom

**NUTS code**

UKH1 - East Anglia

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://www.suffolk.gov.uk/>

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

Thurrock District Council

Civic Offices, New Road

Grays

RM17 6SL

### **Email**

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### **Country**

United Kingdom

### **NUTS code**

UKH32 - Thurrock

### **Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://www.thurrock.gov.uk/>

## **I.2) Information about joint procurement**

The contract involves joint procurement

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

## **I.3) Communication**

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

<https://www.proactisplaza.com/>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

<https://supplierlive.proactisp2p.com/>

#### **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**

0762 Specialist Adoption and SGO Support Services

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

- 85000000 - Health and social work services

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

Services

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

Essex (ECC), Thurrock and Suffolk (SCC) County Council are seeking to secure a range of good quality

providers to deliver support services to adoptive and SGO families. This is to meet statutory duties to provide

adoption and SGO support services. The overarching aims of creating a framework are:

- to promote sufficiency and capacity of quality services across Essex, Thurrock and Suffolk local

- to improve the stability, resilience and wellbeing of adoptive and SGO families and meet their

therapeutic needs

- to have a compliant mechanism to purchase a variety of specialist therapeutic services
- To use funding available for these services including the Adoption Support Fund as effectively and efficiently

as possible

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

Value excluding VAT: £4,968,920

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

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

Tenders may be submitted for all lots

The contracting authority reserves the right to award contracts combining the following lots or groups of lots:

Not applicable

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

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

Training

Lot No

1

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

- 85000000 - Health and social work services

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

NUTS codes

- UKH3 - Essex

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

Training is expected to cover a wide range of skills and approaches as identified within a family individual plan

and the most common types of training required are listed below. All training offered should: be delivered by

suitably qualified trainers with subject specialism; be clearly focused on meeting the needs and circumstances of adoptive and SGO families; be planned and delivered to timescales agreed with each adoption team;

feedback from all course attendees should be sought for each course and given to each LA.

This lot includes the following types of training but is not limited to:

1.1. Non Violent Resistance

1.2. Attachment

1.3. Matching

1.4. Transitions

1.5. Theraplay

1.6. Communicating and connecting

1.7. Life story

1.8. Contact

1.9. Friends and family

1.10. PACE

1.11. Therapeutic parenting

1.12 Safer Stronger Adoptive Families

1.13 Secure Base /Safebase parenting program

1.14 The Great Behaviour Breakdown Program

1.15 Therapeutic Crisis Intervention for Families (TCIF)

## **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**

Duration in months

48

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

Candidates are advised that this framework will incorporate a refresh mechanism to enable new entrants to apply to join the framework.

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

Variants will be accepted: No

### **II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: No

## **II.2) Description**

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

Therapeutic Intervention

Lot No

2

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

- 85000000 - Health and social work services

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

NUTS codes

- UKH3 - Essex

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

Therapeutic intervention will be wide ranging in order to meet individual needs but should be evidence based

and in line with therapies listed under the ASF. They must be tailored to meet the needs and circumstances of

adoptive and SGO families and planned and delivered to timescales agreed with each adoption team.

This lot includes the following types of therapeutic intervention but is not limited to:

2.1 Art therapy

2.2 Dance movement therapy

2.3 Yoga

2.4 Music therapy

2.5 Play therapy

2.6 Group-based art or play therapy

2.7 Filial therapy

2.8 Lego Therapy

2.9 Cognitive behavioral therapy (CBT)

2.10 Dialectical behavioral therapy (DBT)

2.11 Eye movement desensitisation and reprocessing (EMDR)

2.12 Internal Families System Therapy

2.13 Reducing anxiety management plan (RAMP)

2.14 Sensory Integration Processing Therapy or therapeutic listening Programme

2.15 Cognitive Therapy

2.16 Education Psychotherapy



2.17 Group Based Art or Play Therapy

2.18 Attachment Therapy

2.19 Dyadic Developmental Psychotherapy (DDP)

2.20 Child to Parent Violence (CPV) Individual Based Programme

2.21 Multi-systemic family therapy

2.22 Systemic family therapy

2.23 Psychodynamic therapy

2.24 Theraplay

2.25 Koru Project

2.26 Therapeutic life story work for the child

2.27 Individual psychological therapy

2.28 Drama Therapy

2.29 Neuro-integration system therapy (NIS)Psychoanalytical therapy

2.30 Video-feedback intervention to promote positive parenting and sensitive discipline (VIPP-SD)

## **II.2.5) Award criteria**

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

Duration in months

48

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

Candidates are advised that this framework will incorporate a refresh mechanism to enable new entrants to apply to join the framework.

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

Variants will be accepted: No

#### **II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: No

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

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

Specialist Assessments

Lot No

3

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

- 85000000 - Health and social work services

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

NUTS codes

- UKH3 - Essex

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

Following a social work assessment of support needs, there are occasions when a specialist assessment is

indicated. Providers will deliver robust clinical assessment of children and young people's developmental trauma

and attachment. All assessments provided should be delivered by suitably qualified trainers and planned and

delivered to timescales agreed with each adoption team. The assessments that this service will provide include,

but are not limited to, the following:

- 3.1. Comprehensive systemic family assessments
- 3.2. Psychological & psychiatric assessments
- 3.3. Assessments of therapeutic needs
- 3.4. Assessments of contact needs
- 3.5. Sensory integration/occupational therapy assessments
- 3.6. Multi-disciplinary assessments

#### **II.2.5) Award criteria**

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

Duration in months

48

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

Candidates are advised that this framework will incorporate a refresh mechanism to enable new entrants to apply to join the framework.

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

Variants will be accepted: No

#### **II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: No

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

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

Short breaks

Lot No

4

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

- 85000000 - Health and social work services

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

NUTS codes

- UKH3 - Essex

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

Short breaks commissioned will include therapeutic breaks for the whole family or child only to provide

structured and supported time with the access to therapeutic services and an opportunity to develop peer

relationships with other adoptive and SGO families. Providers of breaks will be expected to work with the Local

Authority to provide a service that will meet the needs of the families referred.

#### **4.1 Therapeutic Short Breaks**

### **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**

Duration in months

48

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

Candidates are advised that this framework will incorporate a refresh mechanism to enable new entrants to apply to join the framework.

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

Variants will be accepted: No

#### **II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: No

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

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

##### **III.1.1) Suitability to pursue the professional activity, including requirements relating to enrolment on professional or trade registers**

List and brief description of conditions

As detailed within the tender documents.

##### **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.1.3) Information about a framework agreement or a dynamic purchasing system**

The procurement involves the establishment of a framework agreement

Framework agreement with several operators

#### **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

26 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: 4 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)

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

Date

27 March 2021

Local time

12:00pm

Place

Via the Council's electronic sourcing portal, Proactis.

Information about authorised persons and opening procedure

The commercial officer will conduct the opening process via the functionality within the e-sourcing portal. No postal responses or any submissions which are issued outside the electronic portal will be accepted.

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

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

This is a recurrent procurement: Yes

### **VI.2) Information about electronic workflows**

Electronic ordering will be used

Electronic invoicing will be accepted

Electronic payment will be used

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

The contracting authority considers that this contract may be suitable for economic operators that are small or medium enterprises (SMEs). However, any selection of tenderers will be based solely on the criteria set out for the procurement. Candidates are welcome to bid for either single or multiple lots of this framework.

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

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

The Royal Courts of Justice

The Strand

London

WC2A 2LL

Country

United Kingdom