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## **CST139 - Provision of a Barrister Service Framework**

Derbyshire County Council  
Derby City Council  
Nottinghamshire County Council  
Nottingham City Council

F02: Contract notice

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

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

The contract involves joint procurement

**I.3) Communication**

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

<https://procontract.due-north.com/Advert/Index?advertId=1fb8e788-6fbb-ee11-8127-005056b64545>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

<https://procontract.due-north.com/Advert/Index?advertId=1fb8e788-6fbb-ee11-8127-005056b64545>

**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**

CST139 - Provision of a Barrister Service Framework

Reference number

DN707588

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

- 79100000 - Legal services

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

Services

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

Derbyshire County Council in partnership with Nottinghamshire County Council, Derby City Council and Nottingham City Council (pending approval) are seeking to enter into a framework contract with a range of Chambers to assist in the provision of legal advice and advocacy services in respect of Public Law Children Act 1989 and other Child Care related matters. The award of the contract must demonstrate value for money having regard to quality and price. The joint expenditure for all four authorities is in the region of £1,790,000 per annum.

The contract will run from 1st April 2024 for an initial 2-year period with options to extend for up to 3 x 1-year periods.

Bidders must be authorised to practice in England and Wales and have a current practicing certificate. To be regulated by the independent Bar Standards Board

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

Value excluding VAT: £8,950,000

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

This contract is divided into lots: No

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

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

NUTS codes

- UKF1 - Derbyshire and Nottinghamshire

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

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

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 95

Quality criterion - Name: Supplier Information Security / Weighting: 5

Price - Weighting: 0

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

End date

30 April 2029

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

This contract is for an initial period of two (2) years with an option to extend by 3 x 1 year periods.

#### **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

#### **II.2.14) Additional information**

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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

In the case of framework agreements, provide justification for any duration exceeding 4 years:

#### **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

28 February 2024

Local time

3:00pm

### **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: 60 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)

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

Date

29 February 2024

Local time

11:00am

Place

County Hall, Matlock, Derbyshire

Information about authorised persons and opening procedure

Senior Officers of the County Council

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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**

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### **VI.4.3) Review procedure**

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

Derbyshire County Council will operate a minimum 10 (or 15 calendar day if non-electronic or fax methods used) standstill period at the point information on the award of the contract is communicated to the relevant economic operators. Debriefing by the Council shall be in accordance with the Public Contracts Regulation 2015 (as amended) (the Regulations). Such information should be requested from the addressee in Section 1.1. If an appeal regarding the award of the contract has not been successfully resolved the Regulations provide for the aggrieved parties who are of the opinion that they have been harmed or are at risk of harm by a breach of the Regulations, to take action in the High Court (England, Wales and Northern Ireland). Any such action must be brought as soon as possible.