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Skills Bootcamps - CN240143

Kent County Council

F14: Notice for changes or additional information

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Section I: Contracting authority/entity

I.1) Name and addresses

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Justification for not providing organisation identifier

Not on any register

Internet address(es)

Main address

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

Buyer's address

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

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Skills Bootcamps - CN240143

Reference number

DN739196

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 80500000 - Training services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Skills Bootcamps seek to unlock UK economic growth by improving the pipeline of

intermediate and higher-level skills among adults (19+), particularly in priority sectors such as digital, construction and green skills. Courses are designed to increase participation in adult training, especially those wishing to retrain or upskill, and employer engagement is intrinsic to delivery.

Skills Bootcamps are free, flexible courses of up to 16 weeks in sectors where there are evidenced skills gaps nationally or locally. Kent County Council therefore intends to commission this type of provision for 2025/2026 and beyond. The provision will focus on the areas with skill gaps which require training interventions to meet the sector suitability assessment criteria.

Furthermore, due to changes in procurement regulations moving from Public Contract Regulations (2015) to the Procurement Act 2023, the Council wants to conduct market engagement to raise awareness of the implications of the changes in these regulations and

to further determine the most appropriate service model for this provision.

As part of Kent County Council's commitment to fairness, openness and transparency the

Prior Information Notice (PIN) is issued solely for the purpose of conducting pre procurement market testing with the following aims:

- To develop a suitable delivery model.
- To understand the market and readiness to deliver Skills Bootcamps across Kent.
- To explore the most viable commissioning approach to deliver Skills Bootcamps.

As part of this process workshops are available to interested providers, with two time slots available. To register an interest in this opportunity providers must submit an 'Expression of

Interest' (EOI) through the Kent Business Portal and send a message through the

messaging

function with their preference for a time slot.

These workshops will be delivered via Microsoft Teams and will last for 1.5 hours.

They are scheduled on the following dates:

Wednesday 12th February 2025: 14:30 to 16:00

Friday 14th February 2025: 09:00 to 10:30

Please note that feedback from the workshops will be shared with every provider who has expressed an interest, and this information will be made available to all bidders in any future

tender.

Please be aware that Expressions of Interest must be received by Tuesday 11th February 2025 @ 2pm, and all responses will need to be submitted via the Kent Business Portal by this time.

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.6) Original notice reference

Notice number: [2024/S 000-026841](#)

Section VII. Changes

VII.1.2) Text to be corrected in the original notice

Section number

II.1.4

Place of text to be modified

Short Description

Instead of

Text

New Market Engagement Workshop dates entered.

Instead of original dates which were abandoned (see last amendment)

Read

Text

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