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Tender

## **NAC/5108 Provision of a Community Link Network Development**

North Ayrshire Council

F21: Social and other specific services – public contracts

Contract notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocids-h6vhtk-03a210

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

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

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#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **NUTS code**

UKM93 - East Ayrshire and North Ayrshire mainland

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<http://www.north-ayrshire.gov.uk>

Buyer's address

[http://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search\\_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA00337](http://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA00337)

**I.3) Communication**

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

<https://www.publictendersscotland.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

<https://www.publictendersscotland.publiccontractsscotland.gov.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**

NAC/5108 Provision of a Community Link Network Development

Reference number

NAC/5108

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

- 98000000 - Other community, social and personal services

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

Services

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

North Ayrshire Council ("NAC") on behalf of North Ayrshire Health and Social Care Partnership (NAHSCP) have an ongoing requirement for the provision of a community links network. The service will support early intervention and prevention with the aim of enabling people to live well, flourish in their community, and connect with others.

The purpose of a community link network is to enable individuals to maintain independent living; actively engage in the community as valued and active citizens; and make positive social relationships.

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

Value excluding VAT: £363,094

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

This contract is divided into lots: No

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

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

NUTS codes

- UKM93 - East Ayrshire and North Ayrshire mainland

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

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#### **II.2.7) Duration of the contract or the framework agreement**

Duration in months

36

#### **II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds**

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

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

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

#### **III.1.4) Objective rules and criteria for participation**

List and brief description of rules and criteria

Bidders may be excluded if they are in any of the situations referred to in regulation 8 and 9 of the Procurement (Scotland) Regulations 2016. Bidders must have a minimum yearly “specific” turnover of 242,062 GBP for the last 3 years in the business area covered by the contract.

North Ayrshire Council reserve the right to review the bidder's financial information using companywatch financial analytics at tender stage and throughout the life of the contract. If the bidder's financial health score (H-Score) is 25 or less further information/clarifications will be requested to ensure the equivalent economic and financial standing is adhered to. If this information or the clarifications are not satisfactory the bidder will be excluded from the tender process. Where turnover information is not available, the bidder will be required to state the date which they were set up or started trading.

### **III.2) Conditions related to the contract**

#### **III.2.1) Information about a particular profession**

Execution of the service is reserved to a particular profession

Reference to the relevant law, regulation or administrative provision

The service provider must be registered with the Care Inspectorate as a Housing Support Service.

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## **Section IV. Procedure**

### **IV.1) Description**

#### **IV.1.1) Form of procedure**

Open procedure

#### **IV.1.10) Identification of the national rules applicable to the procedure**

Information about national procedures is available at:

<http://www.gov.scot/Topics/Government/Procurement>

#### **IV.1.11) Main features of the award procedure**

This procurement is based on the most economically advantageous tender ("MEAT") on the basis of best price and quality ratio, where price is 30% and quality is 70%. Please see PCS-Tender for further information.

The contract term is for 3 years.

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

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

Date

3 March 2023

Local time

12:00pm

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

English

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **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**

It is a requirement that bidders hold, or can commit to obtain prior to the commence of any subsequently awarded contract, the types and levels of insurance indicated below:

Public Liability Insurance - 10M GBP in respect of any one occurrence or series of occurrences arising out of one event.

Employers Liability Insurance - 5M GBP in respect of any one occurrence or series of occurrences arising out of one event. Insurance for service user's effects in the sum of at least 5,000 GBP in relation to loss or damage, including theft, of Service Users' personal effects and property.

Motor vehicle insurance.

Bidders are required to provide 2 examples of services carried out in the past 3 years that demonstrates they have the relevant experience to deliver the services described in the Contract Notice. The services must be of a similar value, size and scope. Unsatisfactory experience will result in exclusion from the tender process.

Bidders must also provide 2 satisfactory references for the same 2 contracts on the reference templates provided. References should be completed and signed by previous customers for contracts of a similar value, size and scope. If any of the referees score the bidder less than 2 the bidder will be excluded from the tender process.

Completed experience and reference templates must be zipped and uploaded at question 4C.1 of the qualification envelope.

Bidders are required to confirm whether they intend to subcontract and, if so, for what proportion of the contract.

Bidders who intend to subcontract more than 25% to any individual organisation must ensure the SPD (Scotland) - Subcontractors Supplier Response is completed and

uploaded at question 2C.1.

Lots are not being used for this tender for the reason stated below:

Delivery of the contract is location specific

#### Quality Management Procedures

1. The bidder must hold a UKAS (or equivalent) accredited independent third-party certificate of compliance in accordance with BS EN ISO 9001 (or equivalent) or a documented policy regarding quality management, see attachment at SPD question 4D.1.

#### Health and Safety Procedures

The bidder must hold a UKAS (or equivalent) accredited independent third-party certificate of compliance in accordance with ISO 45001 (or equivalent) or have, within the last 12 months, successfully met the assessment requirements of a construction-related scheme in registered membership of the Safety Schemes in Procurement (SSIP) forum or the bidder must have a regularly reviewed and documented policy for health and safety management, see attachment at SPD question 4D.1.

The buyer is using PCS-Tender to conduct this ITT exercise. The Project code is 47435. For more information see:

<http://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/info/InfoCentre.aspx?ID=2343>

Community benefits are included in this requirement. For more information see:

<https://www.gov.scot/policies/public-sector-procurement/community-benefits-in-procurement/>

A summary of the expected community benefits has been provided as follows:

Community benefits will be required on a voluntary basis for:

1. Fair Work: promotion of job opportunities within North Ayrshire; employability targets for specific priority groups.
2. Upskilling (including curriculum development): work experience placements; taster sessions; training opportunities; work within education establishments.
3. Entrepreneurial, Inclusive and Sustainable Economy: monitoring spend within North Ayrshire; with micro, small and medium enterprises; and the Third Sector.
4. Wish List: delivery of community and Third Sector requests for support from the NAC Community Benefit Wish List.



(<http://northayrshire.community/community-benefits-wishlist-application-form/>)

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

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

Kilmarnock Sheriff Court

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