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### **Planning**

# Increasing nature-based activity providers' participation in green social prescribing

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# **Section I: Contracting authority**

## I.1) Name and addresses

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#### Country

**United Kingdom** 

#### Region code

UK - United Kingdom

## Internet address(es)

Main address

https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/department-for-environment-food-rural-affairs

Buyer's address

https://defra-family.force.com/s/Welcome

## I.2) Information about joint procurement

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

# I.3) Communication

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

# I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Ministry or any other national or federal authority

# I.5) Main activity

Environment

# **Section II: Object**

## II.1) Scope of the procurement

#### II.1.1) Title

Increasing nature-based activity providers' participation in green social prescribing

Reference number

P-31301

#### II.1.2) Main CPV code

• 79315000 - Social research services

#### II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

#### II.1.4) Short description

Defra intends to commission research to improve understanding of nature-based activity providers' participation in green social prescribing, including barriers and enablers for success, to support cross-government policy to roll out and scale up this intervention.

The project will explore current challenges and solutions and identify examples of good practice including in relation to link workers and other referral pathways; providers' capacity, skills and training requirements; access to appropriate green spaces; funding and wider sustainability; and data collection processes and information flows.

#### II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £100,000

#### II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

#### II.2) Description

#### II.2.3) Place of performance

**NUTS** codes

• UK - United Kingdom

## II.2.4) Description of the procurement

This project aims to improve understanding of barriers and enablers to increasing naturebased activity providers' participation in green social prescribing, in order to support crossgovernment policy to scale up these interventions.

The project will assess key barriers to participation, identify examples of good practice and explore solutions, including in relation to link workers and other referral mechanisms; providers' capacity, skills and training requirements; access to appropriate green space; funding and wider sustainability; and data collection processes and information flows.

The project will build on work being undertaken as part of the current Preventing and Tackling Mental III Health through Green Social Prescribing Project funded through HMT's Shared Outcomes Fund, including the national evaluation and work to improve understanding of the national landscape of provision, commissioned by DHSC and being undertaken by NE.

The project will include review and synthesis of existing evidence and new primary research with nature-based activity providers in a range of case study areas.

#### II.2.14) Additional information

This notice is to notify the market of an upcoming competition. A further notice shall be published when the Tender is released.

This will be an open procedure tender via the e-portal system

The project is expected to last approximately 11 months, from April 2024 to March 2025

## II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

19 February 2024

## Section IV. Procedure

# IV.1) Description

## IV.1.8) Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes