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## **Market Opportunity - Bereavement Services**

Bournemouth Christchurch and Poole Council

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

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

Bournemouth Christchurch and Poole Council

BCP Council, Civic Centre, Bourne Avenue

Bournemouth

BH2 6DY

#### **Contact**

Strategic Procurement Team

#### **Email**

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#### **Country**

United Kingdom

**Region code**

UKK2 - Dorset and Somerset

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

[www.bcpccouncil.gov.uk](http://www.bcpccouncil.gov.uk)

Buyer's address

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

**I.3) Communication**

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

<https://procontract.due-north.com/Procurer/Advert/View?advertId=f8c278d7-48c4-ee11-8127-005056b64545>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

**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**

Market Opportunity - Bereavement Services

Reference number

DN709973

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

- 98370000 - Funeral and related services

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

Services

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

Bournemouth, Christchurch & Poole Council (BCP Council), are at an early stage in reviewing options for future Bereavement Services procurement opportunities and seeks input from the market via Early Market Engagement (EME) to develop the way forward in presenting and scoping future Bereavement Services procurement opportunities. This EME will also provide an opportunity for BCP Council to obtain insight into how potential contractors might approach the delivery of the service.

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

This contract is divided into lots: No

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

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

NUTS codes

- UKK2 - Dorset and Somerset

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

Bournemouth, Christchurch and Poole Council (BCP Council) has initiated a review of its bereavement services offer and is looking to market test the operating model for BCP Bereavement Care Services, by looking at potential future investment options and

alternative operational delivery models.

The purpose of this engagement is to gather funeral services industry expertise, innovative solutions, and feedback. The results from this early market engagement process will form part of the information that is reviewed by BCP Cabinet later this year when the next steps in this process will be agreed.

Respondents interested in providing feedback must complete and return the questionnaire provided by 14:00 on Monday 11th March 2024 at the latest. Upon receiving and analysing supplier responses, we may schedule follow-up discussions to delve deeper into specific areas of interest or clarification.

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

Suppliers interested in this opportunity can access the full Early Market Engagement (EME) documentation by visiting BCP Council's Tendering system [www.supplyingthesouthwest.org.uk](http://www.supplyingthesouthwest.org.uk)

Suppliers should search for the opportunity through Supplying the South West. There are further details of the opportunity on the advert published on [www.supplyingthesouthwest.org.uk](http://www.supplyingthesouthwest.org.uk) and instructions on how suppliers can access the procurement documentation for completion.

Responses to the opportunity must be submitted electronically through [www.supplyingthesouthwest.org.uk](http://www.supplyingthesouthwest.org.uk) before the deadline shown on the system.

If you are unable to access the advert for the opportunity through [www.supplyingthesouthwest.org.uk](http://www.supplyingthesouthwest.org.uk) please contact the Council using the contact details provided.

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

5 February 2024

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### **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