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Tender

Flexible Contracting Agreement for Externally Provided Day Opportunities

Birmingham City Council

F02: Contract notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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NUTS code

UKG31 - Birmingham

Internet address(es)

Main address

www.finditinbirmingham.com

Buyer's address

www.in-tendhost.co.uk/birminghamcc

I.3) Communication

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

www.in-tendhost.co.uk/birminghamcc

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

www.in-tendhost.co.uk/birminghamcc

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted to the above-mentioned address

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Regional or local authority

I.5) Main activity

General public services

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Flexible Contracting Agreement for Externally Provided Day Opportunities

Reference number

P2286

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 85000000 - Health and social work services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

The Council wishes to establish a Flexible Contracting Agreement for Externally Provided Day Opportunities. Day Opportunities, traditionally referred to as day centres, where the services are provided for people with care and support needs and their carers that take place, mainly, over daytime hours which provide vital support in two main ways:• They provide meaningful activities, including learning, stimulation and recreation, promoting independence, supporting the development of skills, preparing for access to employment, making friends and enjoying the company of others.• They provide valuable respite for unpaid carers. Day Opportunities support autistic people, those with a learning disability, physical disabilities, acquired brain injury, older adults including those with dementia, mental health and other assessed support needs. The Flexible Contracting Arrangement (FCA) is based on the principles of a Dynamic Purchasing System. The FCA will re-open on an ad hoc basis.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £56,000,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 85000000 - Health and social work services
- 85310000 - Social work services
- 85300000 - Social work and related services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKG31 - Birmingham

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

• They provide meaningful activities, including learning, stimulation and recreation, promoting independence, supporting the development of skills, preparing for access to employment, making friends and enjoying the company of others. • They provide valuable respite for unpaid carers. Day Opportunities support autistic people, those with a learning disability, physical disabilities, acquired brain injury, older adults including those with dementia, mental health and other assessed support needs.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

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

Duration in months

60

This contract is subject to renewal

No

II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: No

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: Yes

Description of options

With an option to extend for a further period of 2 years, subject to satisfactory performance and budgetary availability.

II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds

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

Section III. Legal, economic, financial and technical information

III.1) Conditions for participation

III.1.1) Suitability to pursue the professional activity, including requirements relating to enrolment on professional or trade registers

List and brief description of conditions

Further details will be provided in the tender documentation.

III.1.2) Economic and financial standing

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

III.1.3) Technical and professional ability

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Restricted procedure

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

IV.2) Administrative information

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

Date

4 April 2025

Local time

12:00pm

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

English

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: No

VI.3) Additional information

The Council wishes to establish a Flexible Contracting Agreement (FCA) via the Light Touch Regime in accordance with Regulation 34 of the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 (PCR 2015) and the Public Procurement (Amendments, Repeals and Revocations) Regulations 2016 as set out in Schedule 3 of the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 (Annex A) (PCR 2015) in relation to Social, Health and Education services. The Flexible Contracting Arrangement (FCA) is based on the principles of a Dynamic Purchasing System. The FCA will re-open on an ad hoc basis as required; this will be at the Council's discretion and based on citizen need and market provision. There will be an initial one-off

re-opening of the FCA to allow for new applications as appropriate; this includes the opportunity for unsuccessful applicants to re-apply. The FCA will be for a period of 5 years commencing on 1 August 2025, with an option to extend for a further period of 2 years, subject to satisfactory performance and budgetary availability. The duration of the call off contracts will be based on the individual requirements i.e. care packages; citizens' care may remain commissioned under these arrangements until such time as the call-off ends and provision will be made for this within the associated contract terms. The FCA is a two-stage process:

- Stage 1 – Selection Stage – all Potential Suppliers must submit a Request To Participate and pass the criteria to be appointed to the FCA. The selection stage consists of qualification questions including mandatory and discretionary exclusion criteria (SQ - Selection Questionnaire webform) and quality assessment questions (the 002 Questionnaire and Appendices 3 and 4). All successful participants will be admitted to the FCA and the Stage 2 process will be followed as set out below.
- Stage 2 – allocation of care packages: the care package prescriber; e.g. social worker will identify the potential provider(s) based on the client's support needs and locality. Providers will be awarded the care package based on most appropriate to deliver and 'user choice'. There is no competitive procurement process under the current process however this may be subject to change during the lifetime of the FCA. The RTP application process for the FCA is being issued using the Council's e-tendering portal on www.in-tendhost.co.uk/birminghamcc. All applications must be submitted via the appropriate portal Intend. Use of the e-tendering portal is free throughout the whole procurement process. The system is secure and access to RTPs will only be made available to those employees of the Council and/or their authorised advisors. Deadline for receipt of initial Selection Questionnaire is noon on 4th April 2025.

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

High Court of Justice

London

WC2A 2LL

Country

United Kingdom

VI.4.3) Review procedure

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

N/A

