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Tender

Approved Provider List for the Provision of Supported Internships

The North Yorkshire Council

F02: Contract notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

The North Yorkshire Council

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Region code

UKE22 - North Yorkshire CC

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Internet address(es)

Main address

<https://www.northyorks.gov.uk>

Buyer's address

<https://uk.eu-supply.com/ctm/Company/CompanyInformation/Index/104117>

I.3) Communication

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

https://uk.eu-supply.com/app/rfq/rwlenrance_s.asp?PID=77622&B=UK

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

https://uk.eu-supply.com/app/rfq/rwlenrance_s.asp?PID=77622&B=UK

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

Approved Provider List for the Provision of Supported Internships

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 80400000 - Adult and other education services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

The Authority wishes to award an Approved Provider List for the Provision of Supported Internships ("the Contract"). A supported internship is one type of study programme specifically aimed at young people aged 16 to 24 who have an Education, Health and Care Plan (EHCP), who want to move into employment and need extra support to do so. They are intended to enable young people with learning difficulties and/or disabilities to achieve sustainable, paid employment by equipping them with the skills they need for work through learning in the workplace. Internships normally last for a year and include unpaid work placements of at least six months. Wherever possible, they support the young person to move into paid employment at the end of the programme. The services are demand led and as such annual totals are dependent on that demand.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £4,320,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 80400000 - Adult and other education services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKE22 - North Yorkshire CC

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The Authority wishes to award an Approved Provider List for the Provision of Supported Internships (“the Contract”). A supported internship is one type of study programme specifically aimed at young people aged 16 to 24 who have an Education, Health and Care Plan (EHCP), who want to move into employment and need extra support to do so. They are intended to enable young people with learning difficulties and/or disabilities to achieve sustainable, paid employment by equipping them with the skills they need for work through learning in the workplace. Internships normally last for a year and include unpaid work placements of at least six months. Wherever possible, they support the young person to move into paid employment at the end of the programme. Students complete a personalised study programme which includes the chance to study for relevant substantial qualifications, if suitable, and English and maths to an appropriate level. Our requirements mirror the Department for Education’s national Supported Internship Guidance. The services are demand led and as such annual totals are dependent on that demand.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Track record / Weighting: 25

Quality criterion - Name: Learner engagement / Weighting: 25

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 20

Quality criterion - Name: Local knowledge / Weighting: 10

Quality criterion - Name: Contract delivery / Weighting: 20

Price - Weighting: 0

II.2.6) Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: £4,320,000

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

Duration in months

72

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

Initial 4 year term followed by a possible extension of 2 years.

Contract Duration: 1 August 2024 – 31 July 2028

Option to Extend: 1 August 2028 – 31 July 2030

II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: No

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: No

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.1.2) 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

Open 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

31 July 2030

Local time

11:59pm

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

English

IV.2.6) Minimum time frame during which the tenderer must maintain the tender

Duration in months: 3 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)

IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders

Date

31 July 2030

Local time

11:59pm

Place

Procurement and Contract Management, North Yorkshire Council, County Hall,
Northallerton, DL7 8AD'

Information about authorised persons and opening procedure

An independent member of the Procurement and Contract Management section will verify the tenders through our e-tendering system (YORtender).

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: Yes

VI.3) Additional information

To access the tender documents you must register your organisation details on the YORtender (Merrell) system at <https://yortender.eu-supply.com/login.asp?B=YORTENDER>.

To view details of this opportunity, log into your account and click on “CTM Published Tenders” link. Select “Quote/tender ID” from the “Text filter” drop down menu, enter 83426 into the “with keyword” filter and click the green Search button. The opportunity should then appear in the list below.

Click the name of the opportunity which will give an overview of the opportunity and click “Accept” if you wish to accept the invitation to tender. This will then allow you to download any documentation required, complete and upload the documents to the system. This must be done in advance of the deadline date.

If you require further information, guidance or support using YORtender there is a User Guide (pdf) on the home page. If you are having any technical issues there is a link to create a ticket as well as an e-mail address and telephone number on the phone page under the “Do you need technical support?” section.

The time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate has been listed as the ultimate end date of the Approved Provider List (subject to the extension being taken). In the event that the optional extension is not taken, the time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate would be 31/07/2028

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

High Court of England and Wales

The Strand

London

Country

United Kingdom

Internet address

<https://courtribunalfinder.service.gov.uk/courts/royal-courts-of-justice>

VI.4.2) Body responsible for mediation procedures

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Country

United Kingdom

VI.4.3) Review procedure

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

North Yorkshire Council shall in accordance with the Public Contracts (Amendment) Regulations 2015, incorporate a minimum 10 day standstill period commencing at the point that information on the intention to award the contract is sent to tenderers.

The Council shall, as soon as possible after the decision has been made, inform the tenderers and candidates of its decision, and shall do so by notice in writing by the most rapid means of communication practicable.

Should additional information be required, please contact the person cited in paragraph I.1) of this form. If an appeal regarding the award of a contract has not been successfully resolved, Public Contracts Regulations 2015 (SI 2015 No 6) provide for aggrieved parties who have been harmed or are at risk of harm by a breach of the rules to take action in the High Court (England and Wales).

Any such action must be started within 30 days beginning with the date when the aggrieved party first knew or ought to have known that grounds for starting the proceedings had arisen. Where a contract has not been entered into the Court may order the setting aside of the award decision or order the authority to amend any document and may award damages. Following the 10 day standstill period, if no further debriefing has been requested, the Court may only award damages once the contract has been entered into.

VI.4.4) Service from which information about the review procedure may be obtained

The Royal Courts of Justice

The Strand

London

WC2A 2LL

Telephone

+44 2079476000

Country

United Kingdom

Internet address

<https://courtribunalfinder.service.gov.uk/courts/royal-courts-of-justice>