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# **Mortuary Services - Body Storage**

Stockport Metropolitan Borough Council

F01: Prior information notice

Prior information only

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## **Section I: Contracting authority**

### I.1) Name and addresses

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**United Kingdom** 

#### **NUTS** code

UKD3 - Greater Manchester

### Internet address(es)

Main address

http://www.stockport.gov.uk/

Buyer's address

http://www.stockport.gov.uk/

## I.3) Communication

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

# **Section II: Object**

### II.1) Scope of the procurement

#### II.1.1) Title

Mortuary Services - Body Storage

Reference number

DN531497

#### II.1.2) Main CPV code

• 85110000 - Hospital and related services

### II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

### II.1.4) Short description

The Manchester South Coronial District covers 3 boroughs - Stockport, Tameside and Trafford. Stockport Council (SMBC) is the lead borough for the Coronial District.

SMBC as lead authority in conjunction with HM Senior Coroner, via STAR Procurement, is conducting a Soft Market Testing exercise to understand the level of interest from capable organisations in providing a body storage service and potential body transportation service for in-hospital deaths where post mortem is required.

The mortuary must be within all the below:

- 30 miles of any postcode within the three boroughs;
- No more than 60 minutes' drive from any postcode within the three boroughs (during normal mid-morning traffic flow);
- No more than 2 hours via public transport from any postcode within the three boroughs

(during normal mid-morning traffic flow);

This constraint is required due to the sensitive nature of this contract and the need for minimal disruption to relatives of the deceased when needing to attend the mortuary for

identification purposes, and also for visiting purposes. The Senior Coroner has deemed this constraint as reasonable under these circumstances.

Interested parties should download the Soft Market Testing Document from the Chest and complete and submit the questionnaire by midday on 20 April 2021 by returning the completed questionnaire using the messaging facility within The Chest.

https://www.the-chest.org.uk Mortuary Services Reference DN531497

#### II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

### II.2) Description

#### II.2.3) Place of performance

**NUTS** codes

• UKD3 - Greater Manchester

### II.2.4) Description of the procurement

As per above

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

22 April 2021

# 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