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Opportunity

Provision of a Buckinghamshire Integrated Community Equipment Service

Buckinghamshire Council

F02: Contract notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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Buyer's address

https://www.buckinghamshire.gov.uk/

I.3) Communication

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

www.supplybucksbusiness.org.uk

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

www.supplybucksbusiness.org.uk

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

Provision of a Buckinghamshire Integrated Community Equipment Service

Reference number

DN530161

II.1.2) Main CPV code

• 85000000 - Health and social work services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Buckinghamshire Council (acting as the Lead Authority), in partnership with Buckinghamshire Clinical Commissioning Group is seeking tenders from suitably experienced and qualified organisations for the provision of a Buckinghamshire Integrated Community Equipment Services (BICES) through the appointment of a single provider.

The option remains that other public authorities may seek to utilise this framework such as Oxfordshire County Council and their associated partners (Oxford University Hospitals NHSFT and Oxford Health NHSFT), NHS bodies and/or Clinical Commissioning Groups.

The current contract between Buckinghamshire Council and the incumbent provider ends on 30th September 2021 and the Councils intention is to call off from the single provider framework as from 1st October 2021. The initial call-off term will be for 5 years with an option to extend for up to a further 24 months.

Whilst no work or volume is guaranteed from the Council, should any participating authority wish to utilise the framework then each authority will enter into a separate call off.

The service will consist of the the timely provision of:

• An Integrated Community Equipment Service (Simple Aids to Daily Living/Complex Aids to Daily Living/Non-catalogue and bespoke items)

- Domestic Lift Maintenance
- Technology Enabled Care (including Monitoring and Response elements)
- Long Term Wheelchair Product Provision and Repair
- Continence Product Provision
- Diagnostic Equipment Provision
- Long Term Conditions Management Service
- Major Adaptations
- Clinician Support Services

For each component of service listed the provider shall also carry out maintenance of equipment, collection of items no longer required, recycling of equipment and robust data gathering to support contract management.

This service will ensure that residents in Buckinghamshire, who have either healthcare or social care needs (or a combination of both) are provided with high quality equipment, aids and/or adaptations that enable them to stay independent and live healthy lives for longer, and crucially to remain at home rather than requiring formal social and healthcare support.

The anticipated annual expenditure for Buckinghamshire Integrated Community Equipment Services in 2020/21 is £8,753,571

Within Oxfordshire, the spend this financial year for the whole contract up to end of November 2020 is £4,322,478.77. Pro-rating current spend for the remainder of the financial year estimates total financial year 2020/21 spend at £6,483,718.16.

Transfer of Undertakings (Protection of Employment) Regulations 2006 (TUPE) may apply to this opportunity.

If your organisation wishes to participate in this process, you need to register with the Buckinghamshire Business Portal. You will be unable to take part if you do not register. Please use the link below and follow the instructions on the website:

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Tenders must be returned via the Buckinghamshire Business Portal. The tender return date is midday on Tuesday 27th April 2021. Tenders received after this time and date will not be accepted.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £43,767,855

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

• UKJ13 - Buckinghamshire CC

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II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 55

Price - Weighting: 45

II.2.6) Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: £43,767,855

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

Start date

1 October 2021

End date

30 September 2026

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: 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

II.2.14) Additional information

There is an option to extend the contract by up to a further 24 months.

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Open procedure

IV.1.3) Information about a framework agreement or a dynamic purchasing system

The procurement involves the establishment of a framework agreement

Framework agreement with a single operator

In the case of framework agreements, provide justification for any duration exceeding 4 years:

The framework agreement will be in place for four year but it is intended that the Call-Off will be for 5 years with an option to extend for up to a further 24 months.

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

27 April 2021

Local time

12:00pm

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

English

IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders

Date

27 April 2021

Local time

12:00pm

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: No

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

The High Court

The Royal Courts of Justice

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