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## **Connect to Work Croydon**

London Borough of Croydon

F02: Contract notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-04e6bb

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

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

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#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **NUTS code**

UKI62 - Croydon

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

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

Buyer's address

<https://in-tendhost.co.uk/croydontenders.aspx/Home>

**I.3) Communication**

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

<https://in-tendhost.co.uk/croydontenders.aspx/Home>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

<https://in-tendhost.co.uk/croydontenders.aspx/Home>

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

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**Section II: Object**

**II.1) Scope of the procurement**

**II.1.1) Title**

Connect to Work Croydon

Reference number

LBC/TN/408

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

- 79414000 - Human resources management consultancy services

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

Services

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

Connect to work CroydonCroydon Council wishes to appoint a Contractor to deliver the Connect to Work employment programme for the South London Partnership's (SLP). The South London Partnership is a sub-regional collaboration of five London boroughs: Croydon, Kingston upon Thames, Merton, and Sutton. Croydon Council will assume the role of lead accountable body for the design, procurement, and contract management of the programme. The Council may host a presentation session in respect of the procurement following publication of the contract notice. The purpose of the session would be to take questions from interested organisations and explain the scope and intention of the procurement. Details of any session will be communicated via the e-tendering portal to interested organisations. Participation in any session is not a requirement for future progress in the procurement. Availability of procurement document may shortly follow publication of this contract notice. The draft contract

### **II.1.5) Estimated total value**

Value excluding VAT: £15,000,000

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

This contract is divided into lots: No

## **II.2) Description**

### **II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 79600000 - Recruitment services
- 80000000 - Education and training services
- 79414000 - Human resources management consultancy services
- 79610000 - Placement services of personnel

- 79611000 - Job search services

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

NUTS codes

- UKI62 - Croydon

Main site or place of performance

Croydon, Kingston Upon Thames, Sutton and Merton

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

Open procedure

### **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**

End date

31 March 2032

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

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## **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

Stated in the procurement documents.

#### **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

### **III.2) Conditions related to the contract**

#### **III.2.2) Contract performance conditions**

Kingston upon Thames, Croydon, Merton, Sutton

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## **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

17 April 2025

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

28 April 2025

Local time

12:00pm

Place

Croydon

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.1) Information about recurrence**

This is a recurrent procurement: No

### **VI.3) Additional information**

Croydon Council has been appointed to lead this procurement . The other authorities involved are Kingston upon Thames, Merton and Sutton."Tenderers should note that as this contract is being primarily funded through grant funding from the Department of Work and Pensions (DWP) to the Council, the full possible term of the contract is dependent on currently unknown factors, such as agreeing a delivery plan (see below) and whether additional funding will be provided to the Council in the future. Funding provided from central government is confirmed on a successive basis and so the full possible term of the programme is currently unknown by the Council. However, as at the date of this notice:1) The initial term of the contract is expected to be from contract execution until [31 March 2028]; Similarly, in respect of the estimated contract value, funding from DWP is subject to the Council and South London Partnership agreeing a delivery plan with DWP for the initial term and subsequent possible extensions (expected in April 2025 for the initial term). This delivery plan will include the final agreed funding, so the estimated value of the contract included in section II.1.5 of this notice has been set at the indicative level of £[24] million. This estimate is on the basis of the contract being extended up to seven years but for clarity:1) The Council expects the initial term to [31 March 2028] to have an estimated value of approximately £[10.3] million; and2) The current expected extensions to have a combined estimated value of approximately £[13.7] million.For the avoidance of doubt, the scope of this procurement covers the full possible delivery of the Connect to Work programme including all future extensions in both term length and value (even if these lengths and values exceed the currently expected figures included in this contract notice).Similarly, in respect of the estimated contract value, funding from DWP is subject to the Council and South London Partnership agreeing a delivery plan with DWP for the initial term and subsequent possible extensions (expected in April 2025 for the initial term). This delivery plan will include the final agreed funding, so the estimated value of the contract included in section II.1.5 of this notice has been set at the indicative level of £[24] million. This estimate is on the basis of the contract being extended up to seven years but for clarity:1) The Council expects the initial term to [31 March 2028] to have an estimated value of approximately £[10.3] million; and2) The current expected extensions to have a combined estimated value of approximately £[13.7] million.For the avoidance of doubt, the scope of this procurement covers the full possible delivery of the Connect to Work programme including all future extensions in both term length and value (even if these lengths and values exceed the currently expected figures included in this contract notice).

### **VI.4) Procedures for review**

#### **VI.4.1) Review body**

Royal Court of Justice

Royal Court of Justice The Strand London WC2A 2LL Country United Kingdom

London

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United Kingdom