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Tender

CWC24128 Alternative Provision Open Framework for Children & Young People

Wolverhampton City Council

F21: Social and other specific services – public contracts

Prior information notice with call for competition

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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Buyer's address

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

I.3) Communication

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

<https://www.wolverhamptontenders.co.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

CWC24128 Alternative Provision Open Framework for Children & Young People

Reference number

DN753930

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 80100000 - Primary education services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

The City of Wolverhampton Council has a statutory duty to provide alternative provision for children and young people in accordance with the Education Act 1996. These can include children and young people who are:

- permanently excluded
- subject to fixed term exclusions
- at risk of disengaging from education; and/or
- require alternative educational provision to meet their education entitlement for example those outlined in their EHCP.

The Council is conducting a tender exercise for the provision of Alternative Provision Framework for Children and Young People (Lots 1-6) namely:

Lot 1 - Primary Registered Settings (Only)

Lot 2 - Primary phase inclusion and engagement

Lot 3 - Secondary Registered Settings (Only)

Lot 4 - Secondary phase inclusion and engagement

Lot 5 - Face to Face (Outreach)

Lot 6 - Online Tuition

The procurement is for services which are considered Light Touch Regime (LTR) services under the Public Frameworks Regulations 2015, as specified in Schedule 3 of the Regulations (“Regulations”).

Accordingly, the Council is only bound by those parts of the Regulations detailed in Chapter 3 ‘Particular Procurement Regimes Section 7, Social and Other Specific Services’ 74 to 76 of the Public Frameworks Regulations 2015. The Council is not voluntarily following any other part of the Regulations. The procedure which the Council is following is set out within this ITT.

The agreement is based upon the basic principles of a framework agreement, and although there are some similar aspects, it does not fully operate in the same way as outlined in regulation 33 of the Public Frameworks Regulations (2015).

The Local Authority will create a “pseudo framework agreement” (based on CCS guidance) and have set out clearly how we intend to operate the framework agreement from the outset through the OJEU notice, Tender Document and Call-off Schedule, which also details the timeline for when it will be reopened. This meets the duty of transparency and equal treatment, which are the main guidelines to follow when setting up an LTR framework.

The framework is intending to commence on 1st September 2025 with initial term of 5 years, with the option for extend up to a further 2 years on up at the sole discretion of the council. The framework will be based on minimum acceptable performance (map) being met by the tenderer as identified via key performance indicators.

This Framework will be accessible by both City of Wolverhampton Council (thereafter CWC) and schools and academies in Wolverhampton.

Tender documents can be accessed at <https://www.wolverhamptontenders.com>.

Deadline for Tender submission is 12pm Monday 24th March 2025.

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

Tenders may be submitted for all lots

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Lot 1 - Primary Registered Settings (Only)

Lot No

1

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 80000000 - Education and training services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKG39 - Wolverhampton

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Primary (registered only) provision for permanently excluded pupils.

II.2.6) Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: £805,000

II.2.7) Duration of the contract or the framework agreement

Start date

1 September 2025

End date

31 August 2032

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) Description

II.2.1) Title

Lot 2 - Primary phase inclusion and engagement

Lot No

2

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 80000000 - Education and training services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKG39 - Wolverhampton

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Primary phase inclusion and engagement

II.2.6) Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: £980,000

II.2.7) Duration of the contract or the framework agreement

Start date

1 September 2025

End date

31 August 2032

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) Description

II.2.1) Title

Lot 3 - Secondary Registered Settings (Only)

Lot No

3

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 80000000 - Education and training services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKG39 - Wolverhampton

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Lot 3: Secondary (registered only) provision for permanently excluded students

II.2.6) Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: £1,155,000

II.2.7) Duration of the contract or the framework agreement

Start date

1 September 2025

End date

31 August 2032

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) Description

II.2.1) Title

Lot 4 - Secondary phase inclusion and engagement

Lot No

4

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 80000000 - Education and training services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKG39 - Wolverhampton

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Secondary phase inclusion and engagement

II.2.6) Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: £1,330,000

II.2.7) Duration of the contract or the framework agreement

Start date

1 September 2025

End date

31 August 2032

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) Description

II.2.1) Title

Lot 5 - Face to Face (Outreach)

Lot No

5

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 800000000 - Education and training services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKG39 - Wolverhampton

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Face to face tuition services (Primary/Secondary)

II.2.6) Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: £315,000

II.2.7) Duration of the contract or the framework agreement

Start date

1 September 2025

End date

31 August 2032

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) Description

II.2.1) Title

Lot 6 - Online Tuition

Lot No

6

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 80000000 - Education and training services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKG39 - Wolverhampton

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Online tuition services (Primary/Secondary).

II.2.6) Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: £315,000

II.2.7) Duration of the contract or the framework agreement

Start date

1 September 2025

End date

31 August 2032

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 IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Form of procedure

Open procedure

IV.1.3) Information about a framework agreement

The procurement involves the establishment of a framework agreement

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

The framework will be flexible and re-open at points determined by CWC throughout the framework term to invite new providers onto the framework. This will enable CWC to increase opportunities for learners by responding to changes in the market and allow CWC to enter into longer term contracts

IV.2) Administrative information

IV.2.2) Time limit for receipt of expressions of interest

Date

24 March 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.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

City of Wolverhampton

Wolverhampton

Country

United Kingdom