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Planning

Help You Choose

Norfolk County Council

F01: Prior information notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-02a4e0

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

Norfolk County Council

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Contact

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Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

UKH15 - Norwich and East Norfolk

Internet address(es)

Main address

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

Buyer's address

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

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

Help You Choose

Reference number

NCCT42193

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 48900000 - Miscellaneous software package and computer systems

II.1.3) Type of contract

Supplies

II.1.4) Short description

Norfolk County Council wishes to procure a new Help You Choose careers information website and learning applications system in order to replace and improve our current Help You Choose system.

The council wishes to contract for a web-based solution and the appointed supplier will be responsible for initial set up and data migration (working with NCC); hosting, support & maintenance; software updating and development; technical helpdesk (on referral from NCC) and will provide regular updates/support for NCC core team training and development. Norfolk County Council's Help You Choose team will be responsible for local provider liaison, training and support; maintaining/developing and updating information content and local customer helpdesk queries.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £210,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKH15 - Norwich and East Norfolk

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Norfolk County Council wishes to procure a new Help You Choose careers information website and learning applications system in order to replace and improve our current Help You Choose system.

Help You Choose is Norfolk's careers information, advice and opportunities website and online applications system for young people aged 14-19 years (up to 25 years LDD), their parents, carers and teachers and advisers.

Norfolk County Council have commissioned the Help You Choose web-based system for over 10 years to support young people aged 14-19 to make and implement well informed post 16 learning choices.

Help You Choose is extensively used with young people in Norfolk schools and post 16 institutions; maintains a comprehensive directory of post 16 learning provision within the County and annually supports over 6000 online applications to post 16 courses.

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II.2.14) Additional information

It is anticipated that the contract will be entered on a 3+4 years basis, and the value above reflects the potential full 7 years of the contract.

II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

7 June 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

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

Norfolk County Council is interested in meeting with potential bidders (via Teams) to discuss potential solutions, a draft outline specification that can be supplied to potential bidders, and any barriers to bidding that potential bidders may foresee that might prevent them from bidding. Dates available for meetings are 12th and 14th May.

If you would like to meet with us, please contact the council by registering on in-tend and expressing an interest in NCCT42193 Help You Choose at <https://in-tendhost.co.uk/norfolkcc.aspx/Home>.

Please use the correspondence facility on in-tend to leave your name and phone number and we will call you to book your appointment.

This prior information notice is to provide potential bidders with early information about the council's intentions and for potential bidders to express an interest in the procurement. No tender documents will be made available until the publication of a Contract Notice.