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# Tender ACCESS Pool Authorised Contractual Scheme Operator

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# **Section I: Contracting authority**

# I.1) Name and addresses

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

The Castle

WINCHESTER

SO238ZB

Contact

Samantha Pullinger

#### Email

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# Telephone

+44 3707798816

## Country

United Kingdom

#### **Region code**

UKJ36 - Central Hampshire

# Justification for not providing organisation identifier

Not on any register

## Internet address(es)

Main address

www.hants.gov.uk

# I.1) Name and addresses

Hertfordshire County Council

Hertford

Email

contact@hertfordshire.gov.uk

## Country

United Kingdom

## **Region code**

UKH23 - Hertfordshire

# Justification for not providing organisation identifier

# Not on any register

#### Internet address(es)

Main address

https://www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/home.aspx

# I.1) Name and addresses

Isle of Wight Council

Isle of Wight

Email

customer.services@iow.gov.uk

#### Country

United Kingdom

# Region code

UKJ34 - Isle of Wight

# Justification for not providing organisation identifier

Not on any register

#### Internet address(es)

Main address

https://www.iow.gov.uk/

# I.1) Name and addresses

Kent County Council

Maidstone

Email

## county.hall@kent.gov.uk

#### Country

United Kingdom

# **Region code**

UKJ4 - Kent

## Justification for not providing organisation identifier

Not on any register

# Internet address(es)

Main address

https://www.kent.gov.uk/

# I.1) Name and addresses

Norfolk County Council

Norwich

Email

DPCST@norfolk.gov.uk

Country

United Kingdom

# **Region code**

UKH15 - Norwich and East Norfolk

# Justification for not providing organisation identifier

Not on any register

# Internet address(es)

Main address

https://www.norfolk.gov.uk/

# I.1) Name and addresses

Suffolk County Council

Ipswich

Email

customer.services@suffolk.gov.uk

# Country

United Kingdom

## **Region code**

UKH14 - Suffolk

## Justification for not providing organisation identifier

Not on any register

# Internet address(es)

Main address

https://www.suffolk.gov.uk/

# I.1) Name and addresses

West Northamptonshire Council

Northampton

#### Email

enquiries.nbc@westnorthants.gov.uk

# Country

United Kingdom

#### **Region code**

UKF24 - West Northamptonshire

## Justification for not providing organisation identifier

Not on any register

#### Internet address(es)

Main address

https://www.westnorthants.gov.uk/

# I.1) Name and addresses

West Sussex County Council

Chichester

#### Email

procurement@westsussex.gov.uk

#### Country

United Kingdom

#### Region code

UKJ27 - West Sussex (South West)

# Justification for not providing organisation identifier

Not on any register

#### Internet address(es)

Main address

https://www.westsussex.gov.uk/

# I.1) Name and addresses

East Sussex County Council

Lewes

## Email

purchasing.queries@eastsussex.gov.uk

## Country

United Kingdom

## **Region code**

UKJ22 - East Sussex CC

# Justification for not providing organisation identifier

Not on any register

## Internet address(es)

Main address

https://www.eastsussex.gov.uk/

# I.1) Name and addresses

Cambridgeshire County Council

Cambridge

Email

procurementandcommercial@cambridgeshire.gov.uk

#### Country

United Kingdom

# Region code

UKH12 - Cambridgeshire CC

# Justification for not providing organisation identifier

Not on any register

## Internet address(es)

Main address

www.cambridgshire.gov.uk

# I.1) Name and addresses

**Essex County Council** 

Chelmsford

Email

procurement.team@essex.gov.uk

#### Country

United Kingdom

#### **Region code**

UKH3 - Essex

#### Justification for not providing organisation identifier

Not on any register

#### Internet address(es)

Main address

https://www.essex.gov.uk/

# I.2) Information about joint procurement

The contract involves joint procurement

# **I.3) Communication**

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

https://in-tendhost.co.uk/hampshire/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/hampshire/aspx/Home

# I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Regional or local Agency/Office

# I.5) Main activity

General public services

# Section II: Object

# II.1) Scope of the procurement

#### II.1.1) Title

ACCESS Pool Authorised Contractual Scheme Operator

Reference number

EX21332

#### II.1.2) Main CPV code

• 66141000 - Pension fund management services

# II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

#### II.1.4) Short description

Hampshire County Council (the Authority) is procuring this requirement on behalf of the ACCESS Pool of LGPS Pensions.

ACCESS is seeking a suitably experienced, knowledgeable and skilled organisation, with the appropriate regulatory registrations, to fulfil the role of the FCA regulated company which undertakes selection, appointment, dismissal and variation of terms of investment managers, and provides and operates pool vehicles for Administering Authorities in the

ACCESS Pool.

The Authorised Contractual Scheme (ACS) is an authorised contractual scheme in coownership form and authorised by the Financial Conduct Authority (FCA) with effect from 9 August 2018. The ACS has an unlimited duration

The ACCESS Pool is a collaboration of 11 like-minded Local Government Pension Scheme

Authorities, investing the pensions of over one million members, delivering strong

investment performance, achieving greater cost efficiency and benefiting from the best of

local authority procurement. Further information regarding the ACCESS Pool can be found

here: https://www.accesspool.org/.

#### II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £80,000,000

#### II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

# **II.2) Description**

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

- 66131100 Pension investment services
- 66520000 Pension services

#### II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKF24 West Northamptonshire
- UKH12 Cambridgeshire CC
- UKH14 Suffolk
- UKH15 Norwich and East Norfolk
- UKH16 North and West Norfolk

- UKH3 Essex
- UKJ22 East Sussex CC
- UKJ27 West Sussex (South West)
- UKJ28 West Sussex (North East)
- UKJ3 Hampshire and Isle of Wight
- UKJ4 Kent

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

Hampshire County Council is undertaking this procurement on behalf of the ACCESS Pool of LGPS Pension Funds.

The procurement will follow a single stage, Open Tender process for the appointment of a the ACS Operator.

The Operator Agreement will run for a term of up to 10 years, subject to review in the 5th year.

Tenderers should note that the Estimated Value provided in this notice is an estimate of fees payable over the life of the contract based on current and anticipated AuM growth over the life of the contract. The actual fees payable will depend on these and other relevant factors applicable over the course of the contract. This amount should not be taken as a guaranteed value or payment.

Full details of the requirement can be found in the Specification at Annex 1 of the ITT

documentation by registering within Hampshire's instance of the In-Tend e-procurement

platform at the following URL: <u>https://in-tendhost.co.uk/hampshire/aspx/Home</u>

#### II.2.5) Award criteria

Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

# II.2.6) Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: £80,000,000

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

Duration in months

120

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: Yes** 

Description of options

The Operator Agreement will run for an initial term of 5 years with the option, following satisfactory review, to continue for a further 5 years.

# 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

As set out 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

# **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

10 May 2024

Local time

2:00pm

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

English

#### IV.2.6) Minimum time frame during which the tenderer must maintain the tender

Tender must be valid until: 22 November 2024

#### IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders

Date

10 May 2024

Local time

3:00pm

# Section VI. Complementary information

# VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: No

# VI.2) Information about electronic workflows

Electronic invoicing will be accepted

Electronic payment will be used

# VI.4) Procedures for review

# VI.4.1) Review body

High Court of England & Wales

The Strand

London

Country

United Kingdom