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Planning

Early Market Engagement: All Age Autism Partnership Board – Co Production Partner RFQ

Essex County Council

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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Buyer's address

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I.3) Communication

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

I.5) Main activity

General public services

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

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Reference number

DN662398

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 85000000 - Health and social work services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

In preparation for a forthcoming procurement opportunity, Essex County Council (ECC) , on behalf of the All Age Autism Partnership Board (AAAPB), would like to invite organisations to participate in an early market engagement event for those interested in becoming the Co-Production Partner for the AAAPB. ECC intends to publish a Request for Quotation in early April 2023.

ECC has a statutory responsibility to have an autism strategy, and as such worked alongside autistic people and other stakeholders to develop the 'Essex All Age Autism Strategy' (2020-2025). This strategy outlines ECC's vision of making Essex an autism friendly county, and what action needs to be taken to make progress in the seven priority areas. ECC also organise and facilitate the running of the AAAPB, with the overarching aim of implementing the All Age Autism Strategy, along with a number of 'working groups'.

Although well established and attended, the AAAPB has struggled in places to deliver on the action plan and working groups, ECC would also like to participate as a delivery partner, rather than sole facilitator.

The Council intends to commission an Co Production Partner to support the AAAPB from June 2023. It is expected that the Co-Production Partner will:

- co-ordinate and facilitate several working groups in partnership with the AAAPB, Autistic

people, their families, professionals, and organisations with the aim of driving forward progress against the strategy and action plan.

- also work to begin early engagement with autistic people and key stakeholders to inform the review of the All Age Autism Strategy (from year 2 of the contract).

The market engagement session is scheduled to take place on Wednesday 29th March between 13:00 and 14:00 on Microsoft Teams.

If you wish to attend the session please email george.martin@essex.gov.uk by 4pm on Tuesday 28th March 2023.

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKH3 - Essex

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

ECC intends to publish a Request for Quote (RFQ) in early April 2023.

II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

3 April 2023

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: No