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## **2223-0314 North Central London Support-after-Suicide Service**

Islington Council

F02: Contract notice

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

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

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#### **Country**

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#### **Region code**

UKI - London

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

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

Buyer's address

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

**I.3) Communication**

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

<https://procontract.due-north.com/Advert/Index?advertId=45195789-2eca-ed11-8120-005056b64545>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

<https://procontract.due-north.com/Advert/Index?advertId=45195789-2eca-ed11-8120-005056b64545>

**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**

2223-0314 North Central London Support-after-Suicide Service

Reference number

DN662326

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

- 85312300 - Guidance and counselling services

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

Services

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

A service to provide emotional and practical support for those bereaved or otherwise impacted by a death by suicide.

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

Value excluding VAT: £825,000

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

This contract is divided into lots: No

### **II.2) Description**

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

NUTS codes

- UKI - London

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

On behalf of the Departments of Public Health of the five boroughs of the North Central London (NCL) integrated care partnership (Camden, Islington, Haringey, Barnet and Enfield), Islington Council invites suitable expressions of interest from suppliers for a

service to provide emotional and practical support for those bereaved or otherwise impacted by a death by suicide.

The service will be provided across all five NCL boroughs.

Each death by suicide has profound, wide-ranging, intergenerational, economic and emotional consequences for those directly bereaved, for those impacted and for a society as a whole. A dedicated support service to provide support after suicide has been in place in NCL since October 2020, in line with the national suicide prevention transformation programme which has recognised this area as a priority. Identifying those affected by suicide has been supported by the development of the Thrive London Real Time Surveillance System (RTSS) for suspected suicides.

### The requirement

The aim of the service is to support those bereaved by suicide to face the immediate, acute, disorientating and painful experience of the first weeks and months after a suicide. The service also aims to support those otherwise affected by suicide including those bereaved in the past, and impacted individuals, groups or communities, in partnership with local agencies and community groups.

The service will be available to anyone affected by a suicide who lives, works or volunteers in the boroughs, and to anyone affected by a suicide that occurs within the five boroughs, regardless of the potential service user's location.

We expect the service to offer individual support, group-based and community-based support. At a minimum, we require a service to provide:

- Pro-active contact and offer of support to those referred and who self-refer
- Provision of verbal and written information
- An assessment of need from a qualified person
- One-to-one emotional support with flexible contact options
- Support with the practical tasks and impacts of bereavement by suicide, such as dealing with the police, funeral arrangements or visiting the place of death as well as accessing legal advice or financial support
- Advocacy and liaison support, such as offering to accompany clients at inquests, dealing with the media, advocating for clients by speaking to professionals or statutory agencies on their behalf

- Signposting and/or referral on to other support services, such as housing, employment support, mental health services, GPs, or other bereavement or peer support, where appropriate

Full details of the service requirements are available in the service specification.

#### **II.2.5) Award criteria**

Quality criterion - Name: Proposed approach to service provision / Weighting: 30

Quality criterion - Name: Proposed approach to service access / Weighting: 15

Quality criterion - Name: Proposed approach to social value / Weighting: 15

Quality criterion - Name: Proposed mobilisation and implementation plan / Weighting: 10

Quality criterion - Name: Proposed approach to ensuring the close involvement of people with lived experience of suicide bereavement / Weighting: 10

Quality criterion - Name: Proposed approach to quality assurance and improvement / Weighting: 10

Cost criterion - Name: Cost / Weighting: 10

#### **II.2.6) Estimated value**

Value excluding VAT: £825,000

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

Duration in months

24

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

The contract period will be for 24 months from an estimated start date of 1 October 2023 with three further options to extend for up to 12 months each (maximum 60 months).

#### **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

**II.2.14) Additional information**

Potential providers must be aware that TUPE may or may not apply to this service. Further details will be available in the invitation to tender.

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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: No

### **IV.2) Administrative information**

#### **IV.2.2) Time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate**

Date

5 May 2023

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

5 May 2023

Local time

12:00pm

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

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

This is a recurrent procurement: No

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

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

Islington Council

London

Country

United Kingdom