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Planning

Market Engagement for Fully Managed International Recruitment Service

Suffolk County Council

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

UKH14 - Suffolk

Internet address(es)

Main address

www.suffolksourcing.uk

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

Market Engagement for Fully Managed International Recruitment Service

II.1.2) Main CPV code

• 79600000 - Recruitment services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Suffolk County Council wish to explore market options for a fully managed international recruitment service. The focus of that recruitment would encompass registered social work and therapy roles - specifically qualified Social Workers and Occupational Therapists as a minimum with the possibility of adding Physiotherapist. The service would also need to be able to recruit unregistered roles, principally trained and experienced carers, capable of working with the Council's in-house reablement service, Home First.To participate in this market engagement exercise please complete the MS Form at https://forms.office.com/e/LBYZAhYm7U by 17th April 2023. Any resulting procurement

decision is expected within 3-6 months.

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

• 79600000 - Recruitment services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

• UKH14 - Suffolk

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

30 June 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: Yes