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Tender

Care Home Services for 6 Children and Young People Living in Pentland Way & Castlelaw Residential Accommodation

Midlothian Council

F21: Social and other specific services – public contracts

Contract notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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Buyer's address

https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA00336

I.2) Information about joint procurement

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

I.3) Communication

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

www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk

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

Care Home Services for 6 Children and Young People Living in Pentland Way & Castlelaw Residential Accommodation

Reference number

MID/25/51

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 85000000 - Health and social work services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Midlothian Councils seeks to appoint a Provider who can provide a flexible range of Personalised Care Home services for children and young people with a Disability and Complex Behavioural Needs living in accommodation in Pentland Way and Castlelaw Cottage.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £6,989,156

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 85300000 - Social work and related services
- 85310000 - Social work services
- 85311000 - Social work services with accommodation

- 85312000 - Social work services without accommodation

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKM73 - East Lothian and Midlothian

Main site or place of performance

Midlothian Council

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Midlothian Councils seeks to appoint a Provider who can provide a flexible range of Personalised Care Home services for children and young people with a Disability and Complex Behavioural Needs living in care accommodation in Pentland Way and Castlelaw Cottage. The service will be provided 24 hours a day 7 days a week for children meeting all of their physical, social and emotional needs. The Provider will provide a personalised service which increasingly drives the shape of services to meet the needs of service users and help them to achieve their personal goals and aspirations.

The full scope of the required support and/or care shall be to deliver the aims, objectives and outcomes of the service. The Provider will take into account of the details outlined in the Child's Plan when providing the service.

II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

Section III. Legal, economic, financial and technical information

III.1) Conditions for participation

III.1.4) Objective rules and criteria for participation

List and brief description of rules and criteria

Suitability to pursue the professional activity:

Relevant selection criteria are included in the SPD module. Of particular notes is question 4A2A.

It is a requirement of this contract that the Tenderer holds or is willing to obtain registration as a care home for Children and Young People from the Care Inspectorate. Please provide evidence of your registration with the Care Inspectorate.

If you do not currently have the appropriate registration with the Care Inspectorate, please provide a statement on how you will achieve compliance by the contract start date. If a Tenderer fails to submit a satisfactory response the Council reserves the right to exclude the Tenderer from the competition.

III.2) Conditions related to the contract

III.2.2) Contract performance conditions

The contract will be governed by Midlothian Council Terms & Conditions.

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Form of procedure

Open procedure

IV.1.11) Main features of the award procedure

The contract will be awarded based on the Most Economically Advantageous Tender (MEAT). Quality and Price scoring ratio will be used to evaluate the tenders.

IV.2) Administrative information

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

Date

16 March 2026

Local time

12:00pm

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

English

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.2) Information about electronic workflows

Electronic ordering will be used

Electronic invoicing will be accepted

Electronic payment will be used

VI.3) Additional information

Economic operators may be excluded from this competition if they are in any situations referred to in regulation 58 of the Public Contracts (Scotland) Regulations 2015.

Financial Health Flowchart

The financial information will be evaluated using the Midlothian Council financial health evaluation flowchart, please see Appendix 1. The financial information provided will require to meet the following criteria:

- (i) The ratio of total assets to total liabilities (net assets) should be positive in 2 out of 3 years.
- (ii) The accounts should not show a loss in 2 consecutive years.
- (iii) The accounts should not show a loss in 1 year and negative net current assets in any 1 year.

Where the information provided does not meet item (i) but there is an improving trend Midlothian Council may consider items (ii) and (iii) and will have the discretion, with regard to the evidence provided and taking into account the level of risk to Midlothian Council, as to whether the Tenderer will pass this requirement.

The Tenderer will require to submit evidence in the form of their audited accounts or equivalent for the most recent 2 years (2 sets of signed, audited accounts), along with details of any significant changes since the last year end.

NOTE: To register your interest in this notice and obtain any additional information please visit the Public Contracts Scotland Web Site at
https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/Search/Search_Switch.aspx?ID=822858.

The buyer has indicated that it will accept electronic responses to this notice via the Postbox facility. A user guide is available at
https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/sitehelp/help_guides.aspx.

Suppliers are advised to allow adequate time for uploading documents and to dispatch the electronic response well in advance of the closing time to avoid any last minute problems.

A sub-contract clause has been included in this contract. For more information see:
<http://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/info/InfoCentre.aspx?ID=2363>

Community benefits are included in this requirement. For more information see:
<https://www.gov.scot/policies/public-sector-procurement/community-benefits-in-procurement/>

A summary of the expected community benefits has been provided as follows:

All bidders must sign and return Schedule 5 - Community Benefits as a commitment to

engage with Midlothian Council to identify and deliver community benefits to make positive contributions to people living in Midlothian.

The successful bidder is required as part of their contract to provide community benefits in compliance with Midlothian Council requirements as set out in Schedule 5 - Community Benefits.

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Download the ESPD document here:

https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/ESPD/ESPD_Download.aspx?id=822858

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

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