

This is a published notice on the Find a Tender service: <https://www.find-tender.service.gov.uk/Notice/011119-2023>

Contract

## **IA2495 Voluntary, Community and Social Enterprise (VCSE) Capacity Building Framework**

Staffordshire County Council

F03: Contract award notice

Notice identifier: 2023/S 000-011119

Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-03bf82

Published 18 April 2023, 2:51pm

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

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

Staffordshire County Council

Tipping Street

STAFFORD

ST162DH

#### **Contact**

Joy Cooper

#### **Email**

[commercial.team@staffordshire.gov.uk](mailto:commercial.team@staffordshire.gov.uk)

#### **Telephone**

+44 1785854657

#### **Country**

United Kingdom

**Region code**

UKG24 - Staffordshire CC

**Justification for not providing organisation identifier**

Not on any register

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://www.staffordshire.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

IA2495 Voluntary, Community and Social Enterprise (VCSE) Capacity Building Framework

Reference number

IA2495

#### II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 98000000 - Other community, social and personal services

#### II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

#### II.1.4) Short description

Staffordshire County Council is committed to working alongside the Voluntary, Community and Social Enterprise (VCSE) sector to support and empower communities. The VCSE sector is a critical partner in helping the Council to deliver its priorities to communities, including the ongoing recovery from Covid-19. Staffordshire County Council therefore wishes to procure a new VCSE Capacity Building Framework. The aims of the Framework will be to commission VCSE sector support for the following areas:

- Build Capacity - Grow VCSE capacity in agreed thematic and geographical areas to support the delivery of the Council's priorities. These priority areas include the Supportive Communities Programme, the Staffordshire Young People's Offer, and the 'Place Based Approach' for Families and Communities.
- A sustainable VCSE sector - Support the VCSE sector in Staffordshire (excluding Stoke-on-Trent) to remain sustainable and recover from the impacts of Covid-19. practical support such as helping VCSE groups to access funding and social capital, offering organisational health checks, and practical support with issues such as governance, payroll, Disclose and Barring Service (DBS) checks, and signposting.
- Volunteering - Recruit, broker, and support volunteers in the county, connecting volunteers to VCSE and public sector organisations.
- Engagement - Engage with communities, the VCSE sector, and young people to ensure

the Council understand key issues locally and that these stakeholders have a say in the work of the Council moving forward. This includes supporting VCSE organisations to network and build connections with each other.

- Information, Advice, and Guidance (IAG) - Provide the local VCSE sector (and communities more widely where appropriate) with effective IAG in a timely and accessible way. This includes connecting the local VCSE to training opportunities to ensure they deliver in a safe and effective way.
- Representation - Represent the VCSE sector at jointly agreed networks and forums (for example the Health and Wellbeing Board, Communities Leadership Group, Supportive Communities Board etc.), and help to inform the Council's strategic decision making.
- A flexible and collaborative approach to working with the VCSE sector - provide a way to collaborate with the VCSE quickly and effectively on any future priorities, learning from our experiences during the response to Covid-19.

To achieve these aims, there will be three (3) separate Lots under the Framework:

Lot A - VCSE Capacity Building and Supportive Communities

Lot B - Supporting Young People

and Lot C - Grant Management.

Suppliers can apply for one Lot, any combination of Lot's or all Lot's.

The current arrangement, which is in place for the delivery of some of these Services comes to an end on 31st July 2022.

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

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

#### **II.1.7) Total value of the procurement (excluding VAT)**

Value excluding VAT: £1,500,000

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

#### **II.2.1) Title**

Lot A - VCSE Capacity Building and Supportive Communities

Lot No

1

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

- 98100000 - Membership organisation services

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

NUTS codes

- UKG24 - Staffordshire CC

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

Lot A aims to support the sustainability and capacity of the local VCSE sector, promote community wellbeing, and help deliver the Council's Supportive Communities programme.

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

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 70

Price - Weighting: 30

### **II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: No

### **II.2.14) Additional information**

The maximum budget is £5million over the full life of the contract and all 3 Lots. The anticipated annual call off value for Lot A and Lot B is £250,000 per annum. There is no dedicated funding for Lot C as this will be called off as and when required.

## **II.2) Description**

### **II.2.1) Title**

Lot B - Supporting Young People

Lot No

2

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

- 98100000 - Membership organisation services

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

NUTS codes

- UKG24 - Staffordshire CC

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

Lot B aims to support the Council and its partners in working with young people. This will include the delivery of Staffordshire's Young People's Offer, working with the VCSE sector to ensure young people can share their views, opinions, and experiences to influence what happens in their local area, and access sufficient positive activities provided by the community.

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

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 70

Price - Weighting: 30

### **II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: No

### **II.2.14) Additional information**

The maximum budget is £5million over the full life of the contract and all 3 Lots. The anticipated annual call off value for Lot A and Lot B is £250,000 per annum. There is no dedicated funding for Lot C as this will be called off as and when required.

## **II.2) Description**

### **II.2.1) Title**

Lot C - Grant Management

Lot No

3

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

- 98100000 - Membership organisation services

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

NUTS codes

- UKG24 - Staffordshire CC

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

Lot C aims to establish a group of providers that can manage VCSE grants on behalf of the Council if / when funding becomes available.

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

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 70

Price - Weighting: 30

### **II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: No

### **II.2.14) Additional information**

The maximum budget is £5million over the full life of the contract and all 3 Lots. The anticipated annual call off value for Lot A and Lot B is £250,000 per annum. There is no dedicated funding for Lot C as this will be called off as and when required.

---

## **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.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure**

Notice number: [2002/S 012-002706](#)

---

## **Section V. Award of contract**

### **Contract No**

IA2495

### **Lot No**

1

### **Title**

Lot A - VCSE Capacity Building and Supportive Communities

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

### **V.2) Award of contract**

#### **V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract**

1 August 2022

#### **V.2.2) Information about tenders**

Number of tenders received: 2

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: No

#### **V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor**

Support Staffordshire

staffordshire

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKG - West Midlands (England)

Companies House



8967045

The contractor is an SME

Yes

**V.2.4) Information on value of contract/lot (excluding VAT)**

Lowest offer: £800,000 / Highest offer: £1,000,000 taken into consideration

---

**Section VI. Complementary information**

**VI.4) Procedures for review**

**VI.4.1) Review body**

Staffordshire County Council

Staffordshire Place 1

Stafford

ST16 2HL

Email

[joanne.fitzpatrick@staffordshire.gov.uk](mailto:joanne.fitzpatrick@staffordshire.gov.uk)

Country

United Kingdom