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Planning

Surrey SME Decarbonisation Loan Programme Pilot Market Engagement

Surrey County Council

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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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

Surrey SME Decarbonisation Loan Programme Pilot Market Engagement

Reference number

DN2607

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 66000000 - Financial and insurance services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Surrey County Council is planning to commission Decarbonisation Loan Management service, and we would like to invite potential Providers to take part in our virtual market engagement session.

The purpose of this event will be:

- To share our vision for the Small and Medium-sized Enterprise (SME) Decarbonisation Loan Programme Pilot.
- To outline our requirements and the services required in this commission.
- Provide a high-level timeframe.
- Answer any questions you may have.

The SME Decarbonisation Loan Programme Pilot is still in development, and any information gathered from this event will help to inform the commissioning and procurement process.

This event will be delivered via Teams on 17th April 2024 at 10-11.

If you wish to attend please contact us ania.wroblewska@surreycc.gov.uk and provide names, email addresses and job titles of attendees.

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 48812000 - Financial information systems
- 79212100 - Financial auditing services
- 79412000 - Financial management consultancy services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKJ2 - Surrey, East and West Sussex

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Surrey County Council aim to commission a loan management company to deliver our new SME Decarbonisation Loan Programme Pilot. The pilot will provide loan funding to SMEs to help them to decarbonise by installing measures including heating, lighting, and insulation improvements.

The County Council has delivered many successful grant programmes for businesses. This loan programme is a new and innovative approach that will help inform our future strategy to support businesses to decarbonise. Our Greener Futures Finance Strategy was approved by our Cabinet in 2023 and sets out innovative finance measures, including loans, to help deliver our decarbonisation targets. The County Council has secured an initial capital loan fund allocation of £200k for year 1 (ending 31 March 2025). We anticipate that this will fund circa 20 SME businesses up to a maximum loan of £15k per business to install decarbonisation measures. Businesses would need to provide 50% match funding towards their investment and loans would be repaid over a period of up to 3 years.

We have recently delivered the successful LoCASE grant programme in Surrey, which funded SME businesses with similar decarbonisation measures. This has demonstrated a demand from businesses to decarbonise, the carbon savings and energy savings that it can provide to businesses.

We will work with you to bring our skills in marketing funding programmes for businesses and conducting decarbonisation needs assessments to reach our network of the SME businesses.

There is a potential for an additional £400k capital funding, should this year 1 pilot be a success and approval secured from our Capital Programme Panel.

II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

10 May 2024

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