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ESSEX COUNTY COUNCIL CARERS SUPPORT CONTRACTS

Essex County Council

F01: Prior information notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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Buyer's address

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I.3) Communication

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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

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II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 85000000 - Health and social work services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

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- To solicit interest in this service requirement and determine, with the assistance of providers, the trajectory of the sourcing project.
- To inform the final specification for the tender/contract to ensure compatibility with market capability.

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II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £7,000,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 85000000 - Health and social work services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKH3 - Essex

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

Planned initial 5 year contract period, with options for extension, and subsequent renewal if service demand remains.

II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

28 July 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