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# **Brighter Futures for Children - Children's Residential Retained Placements 2023**

Brighter Futures for Children

F02: Contract notice

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# **Section I: Contracting authority**

# I.1) Name and addresses

Brighter Futures for Children

Civic Offices, Bridge Street

Reading

RG1 2LU

#### Contact

Judith Ashmore

#### **Email**

pchub@reading.gov.uk

#### Country

**United Kingdom** 

#### **NUTS** code

UKJ11 - Berkshire

# Internet address(es)

Main address

https://brighterfuturesforchildren.org

Buyer's address

https://in-tendhost.co.uk/readingbc/aspx/Tenders/Current

# I.3) Communication

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

https://in-tendhost.co.uk/readingbc/aspx/Tenders/Current

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted to 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

Brighter Futures for Children - Children's Residential Retained Placements 2023

Reference number

BFfC P 00001559

#### II.1.2) Main CPV code

• 85311300 - Welfare services for children and young people

## II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

#### II.1.4) Short description

Brighter Futures for Children (BFfC) are inviting providers to tender for a number of retained placements using block contracts with Children's Residential Home providers based within a 20 mile radius of Reading. The aim of this is: • Improved Brighter Futures for Children achievement of the target to accommodate 80% of children within 20 miles of Reading boundary.• To achieve more competitive rates and better access to beds locally.

#### II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £10,000,000

#### II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

Tenders may be submitted for all lots

#### II.2) Description

#### II.2.1) Title

Brighter Futures for Children - Children's Residential Retained Placements 2023 Lot 1

Lot No

### 1 - Planned and Same day

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

• 85311300 - Welfare services for children and young people

#### II.2.3) Place of performance

**NUTS** codes

• UKJ11 - Berkshire

Main site or place of performance

Reading

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

The current market situation provides insufficient local residential placement options for Reading Looked after Children. In order to improve this situation a different approach is required to access the local residential care market, as the way that we currently seek to meet our demand from the market does not meet needs. Evidence from the current contract with a Reading provider has shown that securing local placements is possible, and that this works very well for both BFfC and the current block contract provider. This has built a positive relationship. We hope to build more positive relationships with local children's homes to support a sustainable and collaborative children's home market locally. The pilot has shown that a block contract provides an effective means to retain bed space for BFfC referrals. To note that access to this residential setting has increased with the block contract, meaning that spot purchases with this provide have also increased. In securing contracts to retained beds, BFfC will have first call on an increased number of residential placements locally, and this will improve the likelihood of our meeting the target of 80% placements made within 20 miles of Reading.

#### II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Scored Selection Delivery Questions / Weighting: 20%

Price - Weighting: 80%

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

Duration in months

24

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

Up to a further 24 months

# II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: No

## II.2.11) Information about options

Options: No

## II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds

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

# II.2) Description

# II.2.1) Title

Brighter Futures for Children - Children's Residential Retained Placements 2023 Lot 2

Lot No

2 - Crisis Care

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

• 85311300 - Welfare services for children and young people

## II.2.3) Place of performance

**NUTS** codes

• UKJ11 - Berkshire

Main site or place of performance

Reading

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Quality criterion - Name: Scored Selection Delivery Questions / Weighting: 20%

Price - Weighting: 80%

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Duration in months

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Description of renewals

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#### II.2.10) Information about variants

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#### II.2.11) Information about options

Options: No

#### II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union

funds: No

# II.2) Description

## II.2.1) Title

Brighter Futures for Children - Children's Residential Retained Placements 2023 Lot 3

Lot No

3 - Therapeutic Residential Care

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

85311300 - Welfare services for children and young people

## II.2.3) Place of performance

**NUTS** codes

• UKJ11 - Berkshire

Main site or place of performance

Reading

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

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Options: No

# II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds

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

# II.2) Description

#### II.2.1) Title

Brighter Futures for Children - Children's Residential Retained Placements 2023 Lot 4

Lot No

3 - Children with Disabilities

# II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

• 85311300 - Welfare services for children and young people

#### II.2.3) Place of performance

**NUTS** codes

• UKJ11 - Berkshire

Main site or place of performance

Reading

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# Section III. Legal, economic, financial and technical information

# III.1) Conditions for participation

# III.1.3) Technical and professional ability

Minimum level(s) of standards possibly required

All homes need to be Ofsted registered or in the process of becoming Ofsted registered.

# 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: Yes

# IV.2) Administrative information

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

Date

24 May 2023

Local time

1:00pm

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

English

## IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders

Date

24 May 2023

Local time

3:00pm

Place

Reading Borough Council via In-Tend portal

# **Section VI. Complementary information**

# VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: No

# VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

High Court of Justice of England and Wales

7 Rolls Buildings, Fetter Lane

London

EC4A 1NL

Telephone

+44 2079477156

Country

**United Kingdom** 

Internet address

https://courttribunalfinder.service.gov.uk/courts/rolls-building

# VI.4.3) Review procedure

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

The relevant deadlines depend on the specific nature of the remedies required and are defined in Regulations 93 & 94 of the Public Contracts Regulations 2015.

#### VI.4.4) Service from which information about the review procedure may be obtained

The Cabinet Office

70 Whitehall

London

# SW1A 2AS

Country

United Kingdom

Internet address

https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/cabinet-office