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Tender

Contract for the Provision of a Housing First Support Service

Oxford City Council

F02: Contract notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

Oxford City Council

Oxford City Council, St.Aldates

Oxford

OX1 1DS

Email

procurement@oxford.gov.uk

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

UKJ14 - Oxfordshire

Internet address(es)

Main address

<http://www.oxford.gov.uk>

Buyer's address

<http://www.oxford.gov.uk>

I.3) Communication

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

<https://procontract.due-north.com>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

<https://procontract.due-north.com>

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

Contract for the Provision of a Housing First Support Service

Reference number

DN546637

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

Oxford City Council is commissioning a support service for a Housing First programme, as part of its ambition to end the need for anyone to sleep rough on the streets of Oxford.

There is a range of supported accommodation available in the city to accommodate people who have experienced homelessness. The government's "Everyone In" initiative following the Covid19 pandemic has provided a unique opportunity to engage with people who have been rough sleeping. However this has shown that current accommodation options do not meet the needs of a significant number of this group. The city council is therefore bringing forward a Housing First programme in order to provide individual self-contained accommodation for these individuals, together with a bespoke support package designed to help them recover from homelessness. Similar projects elsewhere have seen high levels of tenancy sustainability, so this is the key outcome the Council is looking to achieve from this programme.

The Council's approach to supporting people who are recovering from rough sleeping is undergoing a transformation towards a housing led approach. This is not currently articulated in existing policies, which are being reviewed to set out this ambition. The council is committed, along with statutory and non-statutory partners across the county to deliver the recommendations of the recent Housing-led feasibility study for Oxfordshire commissioned by Crisis: https://www.crisis.org.uk/media/244570/crisis_oxford-report-full-final.pdf

The Council wishes to deliver a Housing First programme which has a high fidelity to the

Housing first principles outlined on the Housing First England website:

<https://hfe.homeless.org.uk/>

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

Lot No

1

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 98000000 - Other community, social and personal services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKJ14 - Oxfordshire

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The Council is commission a Housing First support contract in two lots, with a funding application for the second lot outstanding at the time of drafting this specification. Each lot requires support to be provided for up to 20 units. The Council may award a contract in respect of one, two, or none of the lots. It may also make an award to up to two separate providers.

Funding has been obtained from the government's Next Steps Accommodation Programme (NSAP) and a bid made to the Rough Sleeping Accommodation Programme (RSAP). Both programmes require tenancies to be awarded for a maximum of two years. The majority of the accommodation in the programme is being delivered from new or existing council stock, and fixed term, secure tenancies will be issued to residents. The make-up of properties in two lots with Lot 1 as follows:

Lot 1 (from award of contract to 31 March 2024)

- a. 15 from Council stock (5 acquisitions and 10 relets)

b. 5 from Registered Providers

II.2.5) Award criteria

Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

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

Start date

2 August 2021

End date

31 March 2024

This contract is subject to renewal

No

II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: No

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: Yes

Description of options

This Contract is programmed to be awarded on 21 July 2021 for the period until 31 March 2024 from Contract commencement with the option for the Council, in its entire discretion, to extend the Contract by a further period of two years.

The implementation date is programmed to be 2 August 2021.

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

Lot No

2

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 98000000 - Other community, social and personal services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKJ14 - Oxfordshire

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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Lot 2 (from 1 January 2022 to 31 March 2024)

- a. 20 from Council stock (10 acquisitions and 10 relets)

II.2.5) Award criteria

Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

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

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1 January 2022

End date

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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

28 June 2021

Local time

5:00pm

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

English

IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders

Date

28 June 2021

Local time

5:00pm

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

Oxford City Council

Oxford

Country

United Kingdom