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## **Invitation to Tender for the Provision of UKSPF 1-2-1 Business Support**

Herefordshire Council

F02: Contract notice

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

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

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## **Country**

United Kingdom

## **Region code**

UKG11 - Herefordshire, County of

## **Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://www.herefordshire.gov.uk>

Buyer's address

<https://www.herefordshire.gov.uk>

## **I.3) Communication**

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

[www.supplyingthesouthwest.org.uk](http://www.supplyingthesouthwest.org.uk)

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

[www.supplyingthesouthwest.org.uk](http://www.supplyingthesouthwest.org.uk)

## **I.4) Type of the contracting authority**

Regional or local authority

## **I.5) Main activity**

General public services

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## Section II: Object

### II.1) Scope of the procurement

#### II.1.1) Title

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Reference number

DN719217

#### II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 79400000 - Business and management consultancy and related services

#### II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

#### II.1.4) Short description

Herefordshire Council was awarded £7.54m UK Shared Prosperity Funding. The UK Shared Prosperity Fund (UKSPF or the Fund) is a central pillar of the UK government's ambitious Levelling Up agenda and a significant component of its support for places across the UK. It seizes the opportunities of leaving the European Union, by investing in domestic priorities and targeting funding where it is needed most: building pride in place, supporting high quality skills training, supporting pay, employment and productivity growth and increasing life chances. This funding is part of Intervention E24: Funding for new and improvements to existing training hubs, business support offers

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/uk-shared-prosperity-fund-interventions-outputs-and-indicators/interventions-list-for-england>.

The council is looking to appoint up to 10 business advisors to deliver 1-2-1 business advice to support delivery of this intervention in Herefordshire.

#### II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

### II.2) Description

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

- 73200000 - Research and development consultancy services

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

NUTS codes

- UKG11 - Herefordshire, County of

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

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### **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

17 June 2024

End date

31 March 2025

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: No

### **II.2.12) Information about electronic catalogues**

Tenders must be presented in the form of electronic catalogues or include an electronic catalogue

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

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

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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

13 May 2024

Local time

12:00pm

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

English

#### **IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders**

Date

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## **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**

Herefordshire Council

Hereford

HR4 OLE

Country

United Kingdom