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Tender

Adult and Community Learning

Cheshire East Borough Council

F02: Contract notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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I.2) Information about joint procurement

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

I.3) Communication

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

<https://www.the-chest.org.uk/>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

<https://www.the-chest.org.uk/>

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

Adult and Community Learning

Reference number

DN545150

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 80400000 - Adult and other education services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

The Skills & Lifelong Learning Team (S&LL) is undertaking a commissioning exercise to procure and develop Adult Education Budget provision for the residents and workers of the Cheshire East Borough and Cheshire and Warrington LEP areas.

Following the economic disruption owing to the Covid-19 pandemic, S&LL wishes to commission learning provision which is primarily aimed at learners:

- seeking employment outcomes, or
- on the route to gaining employment.

S&LL encourages applications from those with proven links with the DWP, the Cheshire Job Centre structure, local employers and other providers of similar provisions.

The Skills & Lifelong Learning Team is seeking to commission local providers with excellent local links.

Other considerations

These programmes should demonstrate how they fit with:

- Local economic need
- including responses to the COVID-19 lockdown
- Cheshire East's Corporate Plan
- Cheshire and Warrington LEP economic strategy

S&LL welcomes applications from high quality providers to meet the needs of young people with Special Educational Needs or a Disability (SEND).

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £850,000

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

Accredited Learning

Lot No

1

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 80300000 - Higher education services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKD62 - Cheshire East

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Accredited learning (Lot 1) will focus on qualifications supporting employability skills, ICT, English and maths particularly those who are most disadvantaged with the aim of enhancing the learners work prospects.

Where regulated qualifications are delivered, they must be eligible for AEB funding and available on the Hub:

II.2.5) Award criteria

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

II.2.6) Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: £300,000

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

Duration in months

12

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

There is 1 option to extend of 12 months.

This will be subject to renewed ESFA funding.

II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: No

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: Yes

Description of options

The initial period is 1st August 2021 to 31st July 2022 with 1 x 12 month options to extend - therefore a total contract term from 1st August 2021 to 31st July 2023. This option will be exercised at the discretion of the Council and is subject to sufficient ESFA funding.

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

Non-Accredited Learning - (Community Learning)

Lot No

2

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 80300000 - Higher education services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKD62 - Cheshire East

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Non-accredited learning (Lot 2) will focus on turning around the lives of local people to enhance their employability, maximising the impact on the social and economic wellbeing of individuals, families and communities, particularly those who are most disadvantaged.

II.2.5) Award criteria

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

II.2.6) Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: £125,000

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

Duration in months

12

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

There is 1 option to extend of 12 months.

This will be subject to renewed ESFA funding.

II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: No

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: Yes

Description of options

The initial period is 1st August 2021 to 31st July 2022 with 1 x 12 month options to extend - therefore a total contract term from 1st August 2021 to 31st July 2023. This option will be exercised at the discretion of the Council and is subject to sufficient ESFA funding.

II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds

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

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

1 July 2021

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

1 July 2021

Local time

1:00pm

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: Yes

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

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