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Tender

## **Provision of Training - Skill Up Springboard**

Somerset County Council

F02: Contract notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-02ba0d

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

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

Somerset County Council

County Hall

Taunton

TA1 4DY

#### **Email**

[pzhill@somerset.gov.uk](mailto:pzhill@somerset.gov.uk)

#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **NUTS code**

UK - United Kingdom

#### **Internet address(es)**

Main address

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

Buyer's address

<https://www.supplyingthesouthwest.org.uk>

### **I.3) Communication**

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

<https://procontract.due-north.com/Advert/Index?advertId=047320b7-ffc8-eb11-810c-005056b64545>

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/Advert/Index?advertId=047320b7-ffc8-eb11-810c-005056b64545>

### **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**

Provision of Training - Skill Up Springboard

Reference number

DN549031

#### **II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 80530000 - Vocational training services

#### **II.1.3) Type of contract**

Services

#### **II.1.4) Short description**

Following a successful application to the European Social Fund, Somerset County Council has secured £2,078,053 of European Social Fund (ESF) investment to deliver the Somerset Skills for Growth Project. The Council is now seeking to procure and appoint suitably qualified suppliers to deliver the outputs and results specified within the Somerset Skills for Growth Grant Funding Agreement. The total value of this opportunity is up to £331,689.50 it is intended that this will be spread across several suppliers according to the overall requirements, and the Applicant's capacity. As such Applicants are encouraged to bid for only the elements, they are capable and have the capacity to provide. 'Skill Up Springboard' will offer units at any accredited

level, excluding basic skills. Accredited units applicable to this tender can be found on the following site <https://register.ofqual.gov.uk/>.

#### **II.1.5) Estimated total value**

Value excluding VAT: £331,689.50

#### **II.1.6) Information about lots**

This contract is divided into lots: No

### **II.2) Description**

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

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

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

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level, excluding basic skills. Accredited units applicable to this tender can be found on the following site <https://register.ofqual.gov.uk/>

The Authority is conducting this procurement process in accordance with the Public Contracts Regulations 2015. This tender opportunity falls within Schedule 3 of the Regulations (Social and Other Specific Services) and below the Light Touch Regime threshold. Whilst this means that this Tender is exempt from EU procurement rules, it will be run in accordance with the EU Treaty principles of transparency, non-discrimination, equal treatment, mutual recognition, and proportionality.

Along with satisfying the essential criteria for contract award, we are inviting Applicants to submit

comprehensive and realistic method statements, with associated timescales, outlining the proposed customer journey, from the point of creating / sourcing a referral / receiving a referral, to the end of a participant's involvement. We will ask Applicants to explain how their delivery method will achieve the desired outputs/outcomes ensuring all associated risks and issues are highlighted along with any mitigating actions.

### **II.2.5) Award criteria**

Quality criterion - Name: Delivering the Requirements / Weighting: 15%

Quality criterion - Name: Marketing the Opportunity / Weighting: 15%

Quality criterion - Name: Skills and Capacity / Weighting: 20%

Quality criterion - Name: Social Value / Weighting: 10%

Quality criterion - Name: Equality and Diversity and Environmental Sustainability / Weighting: 10%

Price - Weighting: 30

#### **II.2.6) Estimated value**

Value excluding VAT: £331,689.50

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

Start date

12 August 2021

End date

30 June 2023

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.2.13) Information about European Union Funds**

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

Identification of the project

Skill Up Springboard - under the Somerset Skills for Growth Grant Funding Agreement with ESF funding.

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

### **III.1) Conditions for participation**

#### **III.1.1) Suitability to pursue the professional activity, including requirements relating to enrolment on professional or trade registers**

List and brief description of conditions

Register of Apprenticeship training providers

Ofsted rated good or outstanding

#### **III.1.2) Economic and financial standing**

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

#### **III.1.3) Technical and professional ability**

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

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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: No

### **IV.2) Administrative information**

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

Date

12 July 2021

Local time

12:00pm

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

English

#### **IV.2.6) Minimum time frame during which the tenderer must maintain the tender**

Duration in months: 12 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)

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

Date

12 July 2021

Local time

12:00pm

Place

<https://www.supplyingthesouthwest.org.uk>

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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**

Somerset County Council

County Hall, The Crescent

Taunton

TA1 4DY

Country

United Kingdom