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## **HCC May 2023 - PPME for the Provision of an Advocacy and Independent Visitor Service for Hertfordshire Children and Young People**

Hertfordshire County Council

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

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

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United Kingdom

**NUTS code**

UKH23 - Hertfordshire

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

[www.hertfordshire.gov.uk](http://www.hertfordshire.gov.uk)

Buyer's address

<https://in-tendhost.co.uk/supplyhertfordshire/asp/Home>

**I.3) Communication**

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

**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

TBC

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

- 85300000 - Social work and related services

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

Services

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

Hertfordshire County Council (the 'Council') is carrying out Pre-Procurement Market Engagement ('PPME') in relation to the Provision of an Advocacy and Independent Visitor Service for Hertfordshire Children and Young People. The Council will consider the feedback received to help inform the Council's options and further decision making. For the avoidance of doubt, this stage of the project is not part of a formal procurement process and the Council is not committing, at this stage, to carrying out such a process. Participation or non-participation in the PPME shall not prevent any supplier participating in a potential future procurement, nor is it intended that any information supplied as part of the PPME shall place any supplier at an advantage in a potential procurement process. Participation in the PPME will be at each organisation's own cost. No expense in responding to this PPME will be reimbursed by the Council.

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

This contract is divided into lots: No

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

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

- 85300000 - Social work and related services

- 85311300 - Welfare services for children and young people
- 85312000 - Social work services without accommodation

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

NUTS codes

- UKH23 - Hertfordshire

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

Hertfordshire County Council (the 'Council') is carrying out Pre-Procurement Market Engagement ('PPME') in relation to the Provision of an Advocacy and Independent Visitor Service for Hertfordshire Children and Young People. The Advocacy Service is for eligible Children and Young People (CYP) and provides independent advice and support to ensure that CYP are empowered to participate in and have their wishes and feelings at the centre of decisions and processes that will affect them or their care or support. The Service shall be provided to Children and Young People aged 0-18 years who have the appropriate understanding to be able to use the advocacy service. The advocacy service will be made available to the following cohort and age range: • Children In Need up to 18 years of age and children subject to Child Protection Plans up to the age of 18. • Children Looked After up to 18 years of age. • Disabled Children up to 18 years of age. • Children looked after making or intending to make a complaint under Section 24D or 26 of the Children Act 1989 Further details are in the PPME document.

### **II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice**

10 May 2023

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## **Section IV. Procedure**

### **IV.1) Description**

#### **IV.1.8) Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)**

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

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## Section VI. Complementary information

### VI.3) Additional information

To participate in this PPME, organisations must submit their completed Supplier Questionnaire, together with any supporting documents, through the In-Tend system by the return deadline of 12.00 Noon on Friday 25th May 2023. Please make sure that you have submitted your Supplier Questionnaire following the instructions above. The Council will not be held accountable for any errors made by an organisation in submitting their Supplier Questionnaire. If you are experiencing problems In-Tend offer a help section which includes a dedicated UK support desk which can be contacted via email: [support@in-tend.co.uk](mailto:support@in-tend.co.uk) or Telephone: +44 1144070065 for any website/technical questions, Monday to Friday, 8:30-17:00.