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Tender

Intensive Family Support Service in South Lanarkshire

South Lanarkshire Council

F02: Contract notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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Main address

http://www.southlanarkshire.gov.uk

Buyer's address

https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA0041

I.3) Communication

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

https://www.publictendersscotland.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

https://www.publictendersscotland.publiccontractsscotland.gov.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

Intensive Family Support Service in South Lanarkshire

Reference number

SLC/SW/23/107

II.1.2) Main CPV code

• 85311300 - Welfare services for children and young people

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

South Lanarkshire Council (the Council) are looking to commission an Intensive Family Support Service that will support families with young people aged 12 to 18 years.

The service will be delivered to children currently in residential care settings such as residential schools, internal and external children's houses and foster placements to support children to return to their communities in a safe way. This will involve intensive work with identified young people, to actively work with key stake holders and families to return young people appropriate for their needs to their families or alternative community options. Also, to work intensively to prevent young people aged between 12 - 18 years of age at risk of becoming accommodated. This will involve intensive crisis intervention in a preventative way with young people at risk of accommodation or accommodated on an emergency basis for an intensive rehabilitation to the family home.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £1,155,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 85311300 Welfare services for children and young people
- 85000000 Health and social work services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

UKM95 - South Lanarkshire

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The procurement will be conducted via the Open Tendering procedure and the ITT will be published in Public Contract Scotland Tender.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Technical / Weighting: 80

Price - Weighting: 20

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

Duration in months

39

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

The Contract will be for an initial 3 year period (including a 3 month implementation period) with a Council only option to extend for a further 2 years subject to satisfactory performance, financial standing and available funding.

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: No

II.2.14) Additional information

Quality Award criteria listed below:

Service model and organisational structure

Experience

Implementation Plan

Service Delivery

Staff training and promotion of good practice (include staff management)

Referrals/timescales/outputs

Partnership working

Quality assurance

Data Sharing

Fair Work First

Community Benefits

Sustainability

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

SPD Question 4A.1 Trade Registers

It is a requirement of this tender that if the bidder is UK based they must hold a valid registration with Companies House. Where the bidder is UK based but not registered at Companies House they must be able to verify to the Councils satisfaction that they are trading from the address provided in the tender and under the company name given.

If the bidder is based out-with the UK they must be enrolled in the relevant professional or trade register appropriate to their country as described in Schedule 5 of the Public Contracts (Scotland) Regulations 2015.

SPD Question 4A.2 Authorisation/Membership

Where it is required, within a bidder's country of establishment they must confirm which authorisation or memberships of the relevant organisation(s) are required in order to perform this service. Bidders must confirm if they hold the particular authorisation or memberships

III.1.2) Economic and financial standing

List and brief description of selection criteria

SPD Question 4B.4 Economic and Financial Standing

The Council will use the following ratios to evaluate a bidders financial status:

Profitability – this is taken as profit after tax but before dividends and minority interests. If a company makes a profit then it is a pass for this ratio;

Liquidity – this is calculated as current assets less stock and work in progress, divided by current liabilities. If the answer is greater than or equal to one then it is a pass for this ratio

Gearing – this is calculated as the total external secured borrowing (short term and long term) divided by shareholder funds expressed as a percentage. If the answer is less than or equal to 100% it is considered a pass for this ratio.

Bidders must provide the name and value of each of the 3 ratios within their response to SPD question 4B.4.

The Council requires bidders to pass 2 out of the 3 financial ratios above.

Where 2 out of the 3 ratios cannot be met, the Council may take the undernoted into consideration when assessing financial viability and the risk to the Council, providing that the Bidder can supply evidence to substantiate any of the mitigating criteria when requested to do so.

The following list is not exhaustive and other criteria may be considered where proposed by a bidder as mitigating factors:

Would the bidder have passed the checks if prior year accounts had been used?

Were any of the poor appraisal outcomes "marginal"?

Does the bidder operate in a market which, traditionally, requires lower liquidity or higher debt finance?

Does the bidder have sufficient reserves to sustain losses for a number of years?

Does the bidder have a healthy cashflow?

Is the bidder profitable enough to finance the interest on its debt?

Is most of the bidder's debt owed to group companies?

Is the bidder's debt due to be repaid over a number of years, and affordable?

Have the bidder's results been adversely affected by "one off costs" and / or "one off accounting treatments"?

Do the bidder's auditors (where applicable) consider it to be a "going concern"?

Will the bidder provide a Parent Company Guarantee?

Is the bidder the single supplier/source of the Goods/Works/Services in the marketplace?

The Council will request submission of and assess the bidders financial accounts, and may financial verification systems to validate the

information provided.

SPD Question 4B.5 Insurance

The bidder must confirm that they have or will commit to obtain prior to the commencement of the contract, the following levels of Insurance Cover:

Employer's Liability Insurance covering the death of or bodily injuries to employees of the bidder arising out of and in the course of their employment in connection with this contract to the level of 10000000 GBP in respect of each claim, without limit to the number of claims.

Public Liability Insurance covering the death of or bodily injury to a person (not an employee of the bidder) or loss of or damage to property resulting from an action or failure to take action by the bidder to the level of 5000000 GBP in respect of each claim, without limit to the number of claims

III.1.3) Technical and professional ability

List and brief description of selection criteria

SPD Question 4C.1.2 Technical and Professional Ability

With reference to the nature and details of the services that are the subject matter of this tender, relevant examples are to be provided of the services undertaken by the bidder in the last 3 years. Bidders should have held contracts of a similar nature, size and value to those mentioned in the Specification. A minimum of 3 examples and a maximum of 5 should be provided. The Council reserves the right to verify any information supplied with the relevant Company / Authority.

SPD Question 4C.6 Technical and Professional Ability (Qualifications)

It is a requirement of the contract that all individuals who will be engaged in the delivery of the contract must be appropriately vetted in accordance with the Protection of Vulnerable Groups (Scotland) Act 2007.

The bidder must confirm in 4C.6, that they agree to submit the PVG Declaration document when requested by the Council.

It is a minimum requirement of this tender that Bidders can demonstrate that where required, staff are registered with the Scottish Social Services Council (SSSC).

Bidders must confirm within their response to 4C.6 that this requirement can be met. The Bidder will be required to provide this information to the Council in relation to the relevant staff who deliver the Services when requested to by the Council.

III.2) Conditions related to the contract

III.2.2) Contract performance conditions

Please refer to the Performance Appraisal document within the ITT

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.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure

Notice number: <u>2024/S 000-001081</u>

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

Date

27 May 2024

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: 6 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)

IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders

Date

27 May 2024

Local time

12:00pm

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: Yes

Estimated timing for further notices to be published: September 2029

VI.2) Information about electronic workflows

Electronic ordering will be used

Electronic invoicing will be accepted

VI.3) Additional information

SPD Question 2.C.1 Reliance on the capacities of other entities

Bidders are required to complete a full SPD for each of the entities whose capacity they rely upon.

SPD Question 2.D.1 Subcontractors on whose capacity the bidder does not rely

Bidders are required to complete a shortened version of the SPD for each Subcontractor on whose capacity the bidder does not rely on

Exclusion Criteria

Economic operators may be excluded from this competition if they are in any of the situations referred to in regulation 8 and 9 of the Procurement (Scotland) Regulations 2016.

SPD Questions 3A and 3C have been identified as mandatory exclusion grounds and SPD Questions 3B and 3D have been identified as discretionary exclusion grounds. All the exclusion grounds will be dealt with on a PASS/FAIL basis. In respect of the mandatory exclusion grounds a bid will be excluded where a bidder fails to provide either a positive response or to provide details to the satisfaction of the Council of the self cleansing measures undertaken. In respect of the discretionary exclusion grounds a bid may be excluded where a bidder fails to provide either a positive response or if the Council is not satisfied as to the self cleansing measures undertaken.

Declarations and Certificates

In an open tendering procedure prior to any award being made the successful bidder will provide the undernoted certificates, declarations and/or completed questionnaires to evidence their compliance with the relevant questions within the Qualification Envelope. All certificates, declarations and questionnaires can be found within the Attachment area of PCS-T.x

SPD Question 2D.1 Prompt Payment Certificate

SPD Questions 3A.1 to 3A.8 Serious and Organised Crime Declaration

SPD Question 3A.6 Modern Slavery Act 2015 Declaration

SPD Question 3D.11 Non-Collusion Certificate

SPD Question 4B.4 Audited Accounts for Previous 2 Years

SPD Question 4B.5.1 Insurance Certificates

SPD Question 4C.6 Protection of Vulnerable Groups (Scotland) Act Declaration

Declaration Section Form of Offer to Tender*

Declaration Section SOC Protocol Form

*The 'Form of Offer to Tender' must be completed and uploaded within the relevant question in the Commercial Envelope.

In the case of an open tender, the other Declarations listed above will not be required to be uploaded and submitted with the bid, but will instead be requested by the Council following the conclusion of the evaluation of the Qualification, Technical and Commercial Envelopes

and prior to the award of the tender. Failure to provide this information or in the event that the information provided does not support or evidence the statements made within the SPD will invalidate the bid. In this scenario the Council will seek to obtain the relevant information and evidence from the second highest scoring bidder and so on until a fully compliant bidder is identified.

The buyer is using PCS-Tender to conduct this ITT exercise. The Project code is 26592. For more information see:

http://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/info/InfoCentre.aspx?ID=2343

Community benefits are included in this requirement. For more information see: https://www.gov.scot/policies/public-sector-procurement/community-benefits-in-

procurement/

A summary of the expected community benefits has been provided as follows:

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Under this agreement bidders will be required to actively participate in the achievement of Community Benefits. A summary of the expected Community Benefits has been provided within the attachment area/technical envelope and bidders will be asked to provide details of the Community Benefits they can offer as part of their bid. The Council has calculated that the minimum total of 100 community benefit points which must be delivered under this project.

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VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Hamilton Sheriff Court

Sheriff Court House, 4 Beckford Street

Hamilton

ML3 0BT

Email

hamiltoncivil@scotcourts.gov.uk

Telephone

+44 1698282957

Country

United Kingdom

VI.4.3) Review procedure

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

Please note, the alternative review body to the local Sheriff Court detailed in VI.4.1 is:

Court of Session

Parliament House

Parliament Square

Edinburgh

EH1 1RQ

+44 1312252595

supreme.courts@scotcourts.gov.uk