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Future opportunity

The Provision of Housing Support Services for Single Homeless People & Childless Couples Who may have Complex Needs

Renfrewshire Council

F21: Social and other specific services – public contracts

Prior information notice without call for competition

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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Buyer's address

https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA00400

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

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

The Provision of Housing Support Services for Single Homeless People & Childless Couples Who may have Complex Needs

Reference number

RC-CPU-20-381

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 70333000 - Housing services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

The Service to be provided by the Provider is the provision of a Housing Support Service, as defined by Law and Guidance, primarily for single homeless people or childless couples (“Service Users”) who may have complex needs, residing in supported, interim accommodation. The Provider will also provide a Housing Management Service as defined in Law and Guidance for the accommodation at specific Premises and will enter into such associated lease arrangements with the owner landlord of the Premises as may be necessary for this purpose. Such Housing Management Services do not form part of this Contract but are required to be delivered by the Provider in conjunction with the Service to ensure its long-term sustainability, and will directly impact upon Council budgets for the provision of homeless services and the amount of government funding available to support the service. The Council looks to maximise the monies available to better assist more Service Users.

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description**II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 70333000 - Housing services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKM83 - Inverclyde, East Renfrewshire and Renfrewshire

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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The way any Provider makes formal arrangements for the lease of the Premises will directly impact upon the Council and may result in higher costs to the Council. In respect of any subsidy shortfall however, while the Council cannot mandate how a Provider arranges their commercial business, the Council seeks to maximise the funds available to it to provide appropriate services and to allow maximum recovery, by the Council from the UK Government, of Housing Benefit paid for Service Users assessed as needing Housing Support Services. Tenderers would require to arrange that they are either a Registered Social Landlord (“RSL”) and enter into the occupancy arrangement (lease between themselves and the Service Users) or alternatively contract with a third party who is a RSL and that third party RSL would enter into lease arrangements with the Service Users and make separate contractual arrangements directly with the Tenderer.

II.2.14) Additional information

The Provider shall ensure that the Service is accessible to Service Users seven days a week, 24 hours per day, 52 weeks per year, irrespective of local or bank holidays.

II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

14 July 2021

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

Renfrewshire Council are issuing this Prior Information Notice to understand the level of interest in the delivery of this type of service from the provider market.

The anticipated contract start date is 1st March 2022 for an initial 2 year period with the option to extend for up to 2 years.

This is a current service and TUPE may apply.

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