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## **The Provision of Railway Chaplaincy Services**

Network Rail Infrastructure Ltd

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

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

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**NUTS code**

UK - United Kingdom

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Main address

[www.networkrail.co.uk](http://www.networkrail.co.uk)

**I.3) Communication**

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Electronic communication requires the use of tools and devices that are not generally available. Unrestricted and full direct access to these tools and devices is possible, free of charge, at

<https://networkrail.bravosolution.co.uk/esop/guest/go/opportunity/detail?opportunityId=54082>

**I.4) Type of the contracting authority**

Body governed by public law

**I.5) Main activity**

General public services

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**Section II: Object**

**II.1) Scope of the procurement**

**II.1.1) Title**

The Provision of Railway Chaplaincy Services

**II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 85000000 - Health and social work services

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

Services

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

Network Rail intends to re-tender its current Chaplaincy Services contract which is scheduled to expire in March 2023. Network Rail requires a focused, proactive innovative and integrated Chaplaincy service, capable of effectively providing national, annual 24/7 emotional support services for rail staff during and immediately after traumatic incidents, as well as undertaking proactive site visits to industry locations.

Next Rail seeks to understand the supplier market in terms of those prospective suppliers who may be capable of providing these services.

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

Value excluding VAT: £350,000

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

This contract is divided into lots: No

## **II.2) Description**

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

- 85100000 - Health services

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

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

Main site or place of performance

Network Rail operates nationally.

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

To support the Network Rail Central Suicide Prevention Team, the supplier shall be required to provide a focused, proactive innovative and integrated Chaplaincy service, capable of effectively providing national, annual 24/7 emotional support services for rail staff during and immediately after traumatic incidents, as well as undertaking proactive site visits to industry locations.

Network Rail currently employs 43,000 people. Whilst this service will be predominantly for front-line staff or those directly or indirectly involved in incident response/management, any member of staff may use the service.

The key deliverables of the proposed Chaplaincy services are as follows:

- Independent and confidential short-term emotional support for:
  - o Network Rail staff, contractors and passengers impacted by traumatic incidents;
  - o staff during other times of depression / trauma (not specifically as a result of an operational incident)
- 24/7, 365 days a year (for emergencies);
- Priority of face-to-face contact;
- Response deployments to a Network Rail site (can include signal box, depot or control room as well as incident site) following fatality incidents, major incidents and/or death in service situations;
- Deliver a schedule of proactive visits to locations set out by location categories and confirmed in the contract. Proactive visits should last a minimum of 30 minutes and be arranged to maximise the number of staff that can be spoken to;
- UK coverage, regionally delivered (i.e. not one central team for the whole UK);
- Raise awareness of and signpost to Network Rail's Employee Assistance Programme (EAP) / other service providers (e.g. Samaritans) as appropriate; and
- Possess and demonstrate an understanding of the unique challenges facing rail staff.

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

31 March 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

If you are interested in participating in the questionnaire and/or would like to find out more information regarding the potential opportunity please email

[Mark.Edwards6@networkrail.co.uk](mailto:Mark.Edwards6@networkrail.co.uk) by the deadline of:

17:00 on 20th June 2022 with the subject heading 'Provision of Railway Chaplaincy Services - PIN', with the following information:

- Company name
- Contact details (including email address)

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