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#### Tender

# West Midlands Independent Fostering Agency Framework

Coventry City Council

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# Section I: Contracting authority

## I.1) Name and addresses

**Coventry City Council** 

Council House, Earl Street

COVENTRY

CV15RR

Contact

**Procurement Services** 

#### Email

procurement.services@coventry.gov.uk

## Telephone

+44 2476975232

Country

United Kingdom

## **Region code**

UKG33 - Coventry

### Justification for not providing organisation identifier

Not on any register

#### Internet address(es)

Main address

https://www.coventry.gov.uk

## I.3) Communication

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

#### www.csw-jets.co.uk

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

#### www.csw-jets.co.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

## West Midlands Independent Fostering Agency Framework

Reference number

COV-18715

## II.1.2) Main CPV code

• 85300000 - Social work and related services

#### II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

#### II.1.4) Short description

This framework is for the provision of foster care services across the West Midlands region. The current West Midlands Fostering Framework, led by Sandwell Children's Trust commenced in April 2020 and has been extended until the 30th September 2024. Coventry City Council is the lead local authority for the new framework, which can be accessed by the 14 West Midlands Local Authorities/Trusts.

The West Midlands Regional Independent Fostering Agency Framework remains the primary means by which foster care homes are sourced in the region from the independent market. Over 80% of placements are made via the current framework. Renewing the framework is therefore central to the West Midlands Local Authorities and Children's Trusts' strategy for securing sufficient foster homes to meet need in the coming years.

Please see tender documents for more information about the new framework, of which can be downloaded from Coventry City Council's e-tendering website <u>www.csw-jets.co.uk</u>.

Please note each Independent Fostering Agency must submit their own individual tender (associated with their Ofsted unique reference number) and bids will not be accepted from umbrella organisations with multiple Independent Fostering Agencies e.g. covering different regional areas.

#### II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £2,750,000,000

## II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

Tenders may be submitted for all lots

## **II.2) Description**

## II.2.1) Title

Standard Foster Care

Lot No

1

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

• 85300000 - Social work and related services

## II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKG11 Herefordshire, County of
- UKG12 Worcestershire
- UKG13 Warwickshire
- UKG21 Telford and Wrekin
- UKG22 Shropshire CC
- UKG23 Stoke-on-Trent
- UKG24 Staffordshire CC
- UKG31 Birmingham
- UKG32 Solihull
- UKG33 Coventry
- UKG36 Dudley
- UKG37 Sandwell
- UKG38 Walsall
- UKG39 Wolverhampton

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

## Lot 1 is for the provision of Standard Foster Care placements

#### II.2.5) Award criteria

Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

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

Duration in months

120

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

The initial term of the new Framework will be for the period of 4 years from commencement but may be extended, by mutual agreement by 2 increments of 3 years

#### II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: No

#### II.2.11) Information about options

**Options: Yes** 

Description of options

The initial term of the new Framework will be for the period of 4 years from commencement but may be extended, by mutual agreement by 2 increments of 3 years

## **II.2) Description**

#### II.2.1) Title

**Enhanced Foster Care** 

Lot No

2

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

• 85300000 - Social work and related services

#### II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKG11 Herefordshire, County of
- UKG12 Worcestershire
- UKG13 Warwickshire
- UKG21 Telford and Wrekin
- UKG22 Shropshire CC
- UKG23 Stoke-on-Trent
- UKG24 Staffordshire CC
- UKG31 Birmingham
- UKG32 Solihull
- UKG33 Coventry
- UKG36 Dudley
- UKG37 Sandwell
- UKG38 Walsall
- UKG39 Wolverhampton

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

Lot 2 is for the provision of Enhanced Foster Care placements

#### II.2.5) Award criteria

Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

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

Duration in months

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

The initial term of the new Framework will be for the period of 4 years from commencement but may be extended, by mutual agreement by 2 increments of 3 years

## II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: No

#### II.2.11) Information about options

**Options: Yes** 

Description of options

The initial term of the new Framework will be for the period of 4 years from commencement but may be extended, by mutual agreement by 2 increments of 3 years

## **II.2) Description**

#### II.2.1) Title

Specialist Foster Care

Lot No

3

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

• 85300000 - Social work and related services

#### II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKG11 Herefordshire, County of
- UKG12 Worcestershire
- UKG13 Warwickshire
- UKG21 Telford and Wrekin

- UKG22 Shropshire CC
- UKG23 Stoke-on-Trent
- UKG24 Staffordshire CC
- UKG31 Birmingham
- UKG32 Solihull
- UKG33 Coventry
- UKG36 Dudley
- UKG37 Sandwell
- UKG38 Walsall
- UKG39 Wolverhampton

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

Lot 3 is for the provision of Specialist Foster Care placements

#### II.2.5) Award criteria

Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

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

Duration in months

120

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

The initial term of the new Framework will be for the period of 4 years from commencement but may be extended, by mutual agreement by 2 increments of 3 years

#### II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: No

## II.2.11) Information about options

**Options: Yes** 

Description of options

The initial term of the new Framework will be for the period of 4 years from commencement but may be extended, by mutual agreement by 2 increments of 3 years

## **II.2) Description**

## II.2.1) Title

Parent and Child Foster Care

Lot No

4

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

• 85300000 - Social work and related services

## II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKG11 Herefordshire, County of
- UKG12 Worcestershire
- UKG13 Warwickshire
- UKG21 Telford and Wrekin
- UKG22 Shropshire CC
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- UKG33 Coventry
- UKG36 Dudley

- UKG37 Sandwell
- UKG38 Walsall
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#### II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Lot 4 is for the provision of Parent and Child Foster Care placements

#### II.2.5) Award criteria

Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

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

Duration in months

120

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

The initial term of the new Framework will be for the period of 4 years from commencement but may be extended, by mutual agreement by 2 increments of 3 years

#### II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: No

#### II.2.11) Information about options

**Options: Yes** 

Description of options

The initial term of the new Framework will be for the period of 4 years from commencement but may be extended, by mutual agreement by 2 increments of 3 years

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

Date

31 May 2024

Local time

12:00pm

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

English

## IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders

Date

31 May 2024

Local time

12:01pm

# Section VI. Complementary information

# VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: Yes

# VI.4) Procedures for review

## VI.4.1) Review body

Coventry City Council

Coventry

Country

United Kingdom