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Planning

Domestic Abuse in Dudley Borough

Dudley MBC

F01: Prior information notice

Prior information only

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

Dudley MBC

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Dudley

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Country

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NUTS code

UKG36 - Dudley

Internet address(es)

Main address

www.dudley.gov.uk

Buyer's address

<https://in-tendhost.co.uk/blackcountryportal.aspx/Home>

I.3) Communication

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

I.5) Main activity

Social protection

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Domestic Abuse in Dudley Borough

Reference number

ASC226

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 85311000 - Social work services with accommodation

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Dudley MBC is seeking to invite interest in the provision of refuge and satellite accommodation in Dudley Borough with housing related support, floating support in the community and a sanctuary service for people experiencing or at risk of domestic abuse in Dudley Borough. The service must provide at least 33 units of self-contained and en suite accommodation that meets the Government Decent Homes Standard which includes a main refuge staffed 24 hours a day containing a minimum of 14 self-contained units. Additional accommodation can include some ensuite provision and needs to range in size in order to meet needs including those of larger families and those with older males and have available staff cover 9am-5pm. At least one self-contained flat must be suitable for a wheel-chair user. The length of occupancy for all types of accommodation ranges from one night to up to two years.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £1,495,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 85311000 - Social work services with accommodation

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKG36 - Dudley

Main site or place of performance

Dudley

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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accommodation in Dudley Borough with housing related support, floating support in the community and a sanctuary service for people experiencing or at risk of domestic abuse in Dudley Borough. The service must provide at least 33 units of self-contained and en suite accommodation that meets the Government Decent Homes Standard which includes a main refuge staffed 24 hours a day containing a minimum of 14 self-contained units. Additional accommodation can include some ensuite provision and needs to range in size in order to meet needs including those of larger families and those with older males and have available staff cover 9am-5pm. At least one self-contained flat must be suitable for a wheel-chair user. The length of occupancy for all types of accommodation ranges from one night to up to two years. The service must also provide:

- a Sanctuary Service to arrange the implementation of security enhancements by an appropriate/approved tradesperson/company to existing accommodation enabling individuals to safely remain in their own homes
- an outreach service supporting individuals in the community

The service must be responsive to the needs of all victims including male victims, older victims, younger victims, LGBTQ+ and work effectively with other domestic abuse service providers/partners. The service must provide structured and outcome focussed support based on an individual's identified support needs and work positively and proactively with other appropriate services to ensure those support needs are met in a co-ordinated way. The goal being to prepare residents for move on to independent tenancies elsewhere or remain safely in their own home. The service must also work positively and proactively with other accommodation-based services to identify a wide range of longer-term accommodation possibilities and facilitate access and referral to them. There is a budget of approximately £299k annum though this could change, depending on the final model procured. The accommodation and housing related support service must be in place and ready for use, in its entirety, from 2nd August 2023. The Council is specifically not seeking any proposals from any developers/contractors who are seeking to acquire accommodation rather than having it in place at this pre-procurement stage.

II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

23 May 2023

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: No

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

The Contracting Authority is issuing this Prior Information Notice (PIN) as a Request for Information (RFI) to engage with the market and to gather information in order to gain a better understanding of both the capacity and appetite of the market in delivering the proposed services, and to alert the market to a future tender opportunity. It is important to note that this PIN/RFI is not a call for competition and as such you will need to express your interest in any future tender opportunity once the contract notice is published in Find a Tender and on Contracts Finder. It should also be noted that this PIN/RFI invites individuals and organisations to express an interest in this RFI exercise only, and it is NOT a pre-qualification questionnaire, and is NOT part of any pre-qualification or selection process. This PIN/RFI is intended as an awareness, communication, and information gathering exercise. An expression of interest is no indication of a commitment to participate in the RFI process nor does it infer any preferential or special status on those individuals and organisations who express an interest in the RFI exercise.