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Planning

## **Care and Support Services Flexible Framework Agreement**

Scotland Excel

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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**NUTS code**

UKM83 - Inverclyde, East Renfrewshire and Renfrewshire

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Main address

<http://www.scotland-excel.org.uk>

Buyer's address

[https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search\\_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA10383](https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA10383)

**I.2) Information about joint procurement**

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

**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**

General public services

## **Section II: Object**

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

#### **II.1.1) Title**

Care and Support Services Flexible Framework Agreement

Reference number

2022

#### **II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 85300000 - Social work and related services

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

Services

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

NOTE: The Prior Information Notice (PIN) and the additional information relates to a consultation exercise only.

Scotland Excel have developed and currently manages a framework for Care at Home and Supported Living Services collectively referred to as Care and Support Services on behalf of Scottish Local Authorities.

The current arrangement is due to expire on 31 March 2024. Councils/Health and Social Care Partnerships (HSCP's) Scotland Excel anticipate to re-tender this framework with an projected start date of 1 April 2024.

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

Value excluding VAT: £500,000,000

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

This contract is divided into lots: No

### **II.2) Description**

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

- 85310000 - Social work services
- 85312000 - Social work services without accommodation

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

NUTS codes

- UKM - Scotland

Main site or place of performance

Various locations of the Councils within Scotland.

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

This is a Prior Information Notice (PIN) relating only to a consultation exercise of Care and Support Services. This is not a procurement process at this stage.

Scotland Excel wish to undertake some early development work for a renewal Care and Support Flexible Framework. For the first iteration, we worked closely with a range of partners to develop this Flexible Framework in recognition that opportunities exist to collaboratively develop a best practice approach to purchasing Care and Support that focuses on choice and control, quality and embeds Fair Work Practices within sustainable service provision.

We do need to hear the views from all our stakeholders. We want to actively encourage Providers of all sizes to participate in opportunities that this Care and Support Services Flexible Framework will offer. This is the first stage of a broader consultation process.

To this end, we are holding events with providers who deliver Care and Support and Housing Support to Adults. The event findings will be used to inform strategic developments and operational practice via a thematic approach going forward with wider stakeholders in meeting ethical commissioning principles.

#### **II.2.14) Additional information**

For information about Scotland Excel and it's members please visit <https://home.scotland-excel.org.uk/>

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

15 September 2023

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## Section VI. Complementary information

### VI.3) Additional information

Scotland Excel will hold two open events via Microsoft Teams to help inform the development of the second-generation framework, which are currently scheduled for Wednesday 7 June 2023 @ 10am-12pm and Thursday 8 June 2023 @ 2pm-4pm. These will provide an opportunity to reflect on the current framework and areas for development for a renewal framework. As noted at section II.2.4 the feedback will be used to inform the commissioning and procurement process, however, neither Scotland Excel nor any contracting authorities will be bound to accept any views stated. Participation is not mandatory and any party not participating will not be disadvantaged in the tender process.

For any providers wishing to participate in these sessions please email [adultsocialcare@scotland-excel.org.uk](mailto:adultsocialcare@scotland-excel.org.uk) noting your preference of date.

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