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## **Market Engagement for Recovery Housing Service**

Kent County Council

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

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

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**Region code**

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**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<http://www.kent.gov.uk>

Buyer's address

<http://www.kent.gov.uk>

**I.3) Communication**

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

<https://www.kentbusinessportal.org.uk/>

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

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## **Section II: Object**

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

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

Market Engagement for Recovery Housing Service

Reference number

DN671670

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

- 85000000 - Health and social work services

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

Services

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

Kent County Council (KCC) is responsible for improving the health and wellbeing of the people of Kent. The provision of effective drug and alcohol treatment services is a key part of KCC's strategy to improve public health and reduce inequalities across the county. Community-based drug and alcohol services are currently commissioned for both adults and young people in Kent. The Residential Recovery Housing service forms part of this provision and supports individuals in their recovery and towards a life in the community free from drugs and alcohol.

The Recovery Housing Service intends to deliver supervised, short-term housing to individuals who are abstinent from drugs and alcohol to aid their recovery journey into permanent housing. The objective for the Recovery Housing Service is to provide support to the most vulnerable people in Kent who are recovering from drug and alcohol misuse and do not have secure accommodation. The main aim is to support continued recovery and enable individuals to lead a fulfilling life in independent accommodation.

The Service will provide time-limited recovery support for those who are at risk of homelessness, or people who are homeless and are transitioning between drug and alcohol services and independent living. Specifically, the service will provide:

- Continued drug and alcohol recovery support Temporary accommodation/housing related support to secure treatment journey progress
- Extended recovery support e.g. Life skills to be better placed to sustain recovery

outcome and stable housing in the end of treatment.

Service Users at risk of homelessness will be provided with private temporary accommodation for an average stay of 6-12 months and a maximum of 18 months. Residents will receive psychologically and trauma informed recovery support and advice around their former drug and alcohol use.

The Service is to be made available to people in drug and alcohol recovery resident in Kent who are over 18 and have an identified housing related support need. Service users must be already engaged with recovery and have a commitment to remaining abstinent (i.e. individuals must not engage in alcohol or illicit drug use at all, either indefinitely or for a short period of time).

A Market Engagement will be held on the week commencing 26 June 2023. The Market Engagement sessions will take the form of 1:1 meetings with Suppliers. Only those Suppliers who express an interest to participate in the Market Engagement sessions will be invited to attend. Expressions of Interest in the Market Engagement sessions should be submitted no later than the 22 June 2023 at 12noon.

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

This contract is divided into lots: No

## **II.2) Description**

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

NUTS codes

- UKJ4 - Kent

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

7 July 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: No