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## **WSSCC AE Integrated Community Equipment Service**

West Sussex County Council

F14: Notice for changes or additional information

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### **Section I: Contracting authority/entity**

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Buyer's address

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## Section II: Object

### II.1) Scope of the procurement

#### II.1.1) Title

WSCC AE Integrated Community Equipment Service

Reference number

2022/S 000-012429

#### II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 85000000 - Health and social work services

#### II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

#### II.1.4) Short description

The provision of Community Equipment is essential in promoting the independence of people of all ages with disabilities. It will often result in a person being able to manage independently without the needs for other services. In some cases it will enable the safe and effective delivery of other services involving support for people with personal care. The broad aims of the CES is to:

- Promote independence, safety, social inclusion, quality of life, improved end of life care
- Help to give elderly and disabled people control over their own lives
- Reduce unscheduled hospital admissions
- Reduce A and E attendance
- Reduce the length of a hospital stay
- Assist with the quality of many quality outcomes for children and adults
- Enable people to live at home for longer thereby reducing the need for care home admissions
- Improve early years development
- Play a key role in the delivery of early intervention and prevention strategies and crisis admissions to high cost services.

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## Section VI. Complementary information

### VI.6) Original notice reference

Notice number: [2022/S 000-012429](#)

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## **Section VII. Changes**

### **VII.1) Information to be changed or added**

### **VII.2) Other additional information**

West Sussex County Council and NHS Sussex have reflected on the late clarification update to the document 06 ICES Pricing Schedule and the resulting impacts this may have had on bidders' submissions and that the original tender has now closed on our e-sourcing solution. Commissioners believe that it is in the public interest that potential bidders have sufficient time to respond to a set of tender documents with accurate information e.g. there have been updates to TUPE information, recycling rates, activity rates etc. and therefore have made the decision that the current tender will be abandoned on 15.06.2022. West Sussex County Council confirms that the tender responses already received will not be opened. A subsequent new open tender will be released on 17.06.2022 with a closing date of 19.07.2022. A key consideration in reaching this decision was that bidders may need to consider the more accurate information in relation to their initial responses to Method Statement Questions, as well as the Pricing Schedule. Our aim is that by starting a new procurement process (which will give bidders more than the minimum 30 days to respond) this will ensure that every potential bidder is treated equally and has adequate time to submit their best tender based on the most accurate data available. To mitigate the impact of this decision on bidders we will ensure the majority of the new tender document set remains the same with the main changes being to the new tender timelines and more accurate information. Further, potential bidders should be aware that it is the intention of the commissioners that contract start date and duration remain the same so that the tendered economic opportunity remains unchanged