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Tender

24108 Cambridgeshire County Council Domestic Abuse Mobile Advocacy

Cambridgeshire County Council

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Changes to notice

This notice has been edited. The [previous version](#) is still available.

Deadline extended to 30 Apr 2025

Scope

Reference

24108

Description

The Domestic Abuse Act 2021 has implemented a statutory requirement on Local Authorities to ensure there is safe accommodation for individuals subjected to domestic abuse. Mobile Advocacy is a key part of this.

Potential providers may come from the private, voluntary and community or statutory sector and should be experienced in delivering support to individuals subjected to domestic abuse.

The service will support individuals subjected to domestic abuse, in the community and will focus on their self-identified needs, rather than needs defined by the service and any pre-defined actions the agency thinks they should take.

The support will be client-led and empowering, working with the individual around their individual needs and for a period dictated by need, not targets. This approach is designed to restore decision making powers and increase space for action for the client.

The service will be expected to work collaboratively with other organisations in the area providing support to those subjected to domestic abuse.

The Service will deliver specialist, flexible and responsive support to meet a range of needs. The key aims which underpin all of our domestic abuse services are:

- Information and Advice to those concerned for themselves or others
- Increased safety of the those subjected to domestic abuse
- To enable victims and children to cope and recover from abuse they have experienced
- Clients will be contacted within 3 working days of referral (maximum)
- The service will work in a way which is trauma informed
- The service will manage £15,000 of flexible funding for use to increase the safety of their clients and their children.

This procurement has not been broken down into Lots as it is important that there is one service provider covering the entire area. This is for two reasons, firstly victims relocate and therefore need to be assured of the same provider no matter where they are in the County. Secondly, costs connected with advertising the service would increase if there were more than one provider.

Total value (estimated)

- £1,595,000 excluding VAT
- £1,914,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Contract dates (estimated)

- 1 October 2025 to 31 March 2029
- Possible extension to 31 March 2031
- 5 years, 6 months

Description of possible extension:

2 x 12 month extensions available. The Council at its sole discretion may extend the contract with 3 month's notice. If the council does not wish to extend the agreement beyond its initial term then it will expire.

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 85000000 - Health and social work services
- 98000000 - Other community, social and personal services

Contract locations

- UKH12 - Cambridgeshire CC

Participation

Legal and financial capacity conditions of participation

Conditions of Participation are set out in appendix 1 of the ITT document.

Particular suitability

- Small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)
- Voluntary, community and social enterprises (VCSE)

Submission

Enquiry deadline

18 April 2025, 11:59pm

Tender submission deadline

30 April 2025, 12:00pm

Submission address and any special instructions

<https://procontract.due-north.com/Advert?advertId=f2097b12-f8f4-ef11-8136-005056b645>

[45&p=ea3edb62-3a92-eb11-810c-005056b64545](#)

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Tenders may be submitted electronically

Yes

Languages that may be used for submission

English

Award decision date (estimated)

1 July 2025

Award criteria

Name	Description	Type	Weighting
Quality Assessment	This section requires a minimum score of 70% of the available marks for the quality assessment. Providers who do not achieve this will be eliminated from the procurement process and their price will not be evaluated.	Quality	75%

Name	Description	Type	Weighting
Price	This section requires a minimum score of 70% of the available marks for the quality assessment. Providers who do not achieve this will be eliminated from the procurement process and their price will not be evaluated.	Price	25%

Other information

Payment terms

Please refer to the 'Price and Payment Details' section of the tender questionnaire.

Description of risks to contract performance

Cambridgeshire County Council is subject to the English Devolution White Paper which will lead to local government re-organisation potentially during the term of this contract. This risk is defined as a known unknown risk as we do not yet understand the implications of that potential re-organisation.

Applicable trade agreements

- Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

Conflicts assessment prepared/revised

Yes

Procedure

Procedure type

Open procedure

Special regime

Light touch

Reduced tendering period

Yes

Light touch contract - no minimum

Justification for not publishing a preliminary market engagement notice

Market engagement carried out before 24 Feb 2025, a Prior Information Notice (PIN) was published Notice Identifier: 2025/S 000-004299

<https://www.find-tender.service.gov.uk/Notice/004299-2025?origin=SearchResults&p=1>

Contracting authority

Cambridgeshire County Council

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Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government