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Tender

Electronic Market Place for Kirklees Welcomes Assisting Vulnerable Migrants, Asylum Seekers and Refugees

Kirklees Council

F21: Social and other specific services – public contracts

Contract notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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UKE44 - Calderdale and Kirklees

Justification for not providing organisation identifier

Not on any register

Internet address(es)

Main address

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

Buyer's address

<https://yortender.eu-supply.com>

I.3) Communication

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

<https://yortender.eu-supply.com>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

<https://yortender.eu-supply.com>

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Regional or local authority

I.5) Main activity

General public services

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Electronic Market Place for Kirklees Welcomes Assisting Vulnerable Migrants, Asylum Seekers and Refugees

Reference number

KMCAS-209

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 Council of the Borough of Kirklees (the "Council") is conducting this procurement exercise, in accordance with the Light Touch Regime of the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 (SI 2015/102), and intends to establish an Electronic Market Place ("EMP") with Providers with relevant experience and ability to assist vulnerable migrants, asylum seekers and refugees.

This EMP is anticipated to commence on 1st August 2024 for a period of five (5 years) to meet the requirements and demands of the Service.

The estimated cumulative annual value for the Contracts potentially called off under this EMP is Five Hundred Thousand Pounds Sterling (£500,000) per annum.

Funding for this EMP is through a variety of external grants and contracts sources including (but not limited to The Department of Levelling Up Housing and Communities (DLUHC) and the Home Office).

Further details regarding the Services required are set out in the Specification (Schedule 2). and in the Conditions of Contract (Schedule 4 Appendix 2).

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £2,500,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKE44 - Calderdale and Kirklees

Main site or place of performance

Kirklees

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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Vulnerable migrants, Asylum Seekers and Refugees face difficult practical situations or face barriers in accessing and engaging with services. Coming to a new place can be disorientating and confusing. We are looking for providers who can provide support and integration services to asylum seekers, refugees and migrants living in accommodation within the Kirklees area.

We want to ensure those seeking protection will be supported and encouraged to become independent as soon as possible by developing local connections, networks and by enhancing the skills and strengths they bring to Kirklees.

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II.2.7) Duration of the contract or the framework agreement

Duration in months

60

II.2.14) Additional information

Stated values are estimates and the contracting authority shall not be bound by such estimates nor should these be interpreted as an undertaking to purchase any services.

The total Electronic Market Place value is £500,000 per annum.

The initial Submission Deadline for the receipt of Requests To Participate is 8th July at 13:00 hrs and will be annually thereafter, however the council reserves the right to evaluate when the need arises if further capacity is required.

Further Competitions will commence from the 1st August 2024 until 31st July 2029

Section III. Legal, economic, financial and technical information

III.1) Conditions for participation

III.1.4) Objective rules and criteria for participation

List and brief description of rules and criteria

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Refer to the Request to Participate Submission Document and EMP documentation.

The Council reserve the right to exclude any Applicant whom they deem to not satisfy any criteria.

Applicants will Pass or Fail on the basis of being financially viable for the EMP. The rationale applied is that Applicants must be able to demonstrate a positive net worth on their Balance Sheet for the past two (2) years.

Acceptance that the Applicant's turnover may be taken into account to determine a limit to the volume of Contracts that can be awarded at any one time under this EMP.

Applicants must have at least one example of a previous contract that demonstrates to the reasonable satisfaction of the Authority that the Applicant possess the relevant general technical expertise and professional experience to deliver the Contract.

Applicants must have, or commit to obtain, Employers & Public Liability Insurance cover of £10 million, Professional Indemnity cover of £500,000.

Applicants must have relevant and up to date Disclosure and Barring Service ('DBS') checks.

Applicants must have a Safeguarding Policy/Statement for vulnerable adults & children. Applicants must have a Health & Safety Policy that complies with current legislation.

Applicants must score a minimum of 12 points to pass Questions 7.15 - 7.18 (maximum 750 words each question)

III.2) Conditions related to the contract

III.2.2) Contract performance conditions

As detailed in the EMP application documents published on the YORtender tendering portal.

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Form of procedure

Open procedure

IV.1.11) Main features of the award procedure

If a Contracting Body decides to source any of the Services through this EMP, then it may satisfy its requirements by allocating a Contract in accordance with the terms laid down in the EMP Information, Rules and Instructions document, included within the procurement documents.

IV.2) Administrative information

IV.2.2) Time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate

Date

31 July 2029

Local time

1:00pm

IV.2.4) Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted

English

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.2) Information about electronic workflows

Electronic ordering will be used

Electronic invoicing will be accepted

Electronic payment will be used

VI.3) Additional information

Tenderers are advised that this procurement in accordance with the Light Touch Regime of the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 (SI 2015/12), and intends to establish an Electronic

Market Place ("EMP"). An EMP will be established with Providers with relevant experience and ability to assist vulnerable migrants, asylum seekers and refugees.

The EMP does not operate in the same way as a Framework Agreement or Dynamic Purchasing System ("DPS"). It is a quasi DPS and is an "open market" product designed to

provide access to a pool of Members which can be constantly refreshed. Potential Members can apply to participate in a EMP at any time by completing and submitting a RTP.

The Contracting Authorities consider that this EMP may be suitable for economic operators that are small or medium enterprises (SMEs). However, any selection of

Applicants (economic operators/tenderers) will be solely on the criteria set out in the procurement documents.

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

High Court of England and Wales

London

Country

United Kingdom

VI.4.3) Review procedure

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

Applicants who are unsuccessful shall be informed by the Contracting Authority as soon as

possible after the decision is made. If an Applicant requires any additional information as to

why their submission was unsuccessful, this should be requested from the address at

Section I.1) of this notice. If the matter has not been successfully resolved, then the Public

Contracts Regulations 2015 (SI 2015/102) provide for aggrieved parties who have been

harmed or are at risk of harm by a breach of the rules to take action in the High

Court(England, Wales and Northern Ireland). Any such action must be started within thirty

(30) days beginning with the date when the aggrieved party first knew or sought to have

grounds for starting the proceedings had arisen. The court may extend the time limited for

starting proceedings where the court considers that there is a good reason for doing so, but

not so as to permit proceedings to be started more than three (3) months after that date.

Where a contract has not been entered into, the court may order the setting aside of the

award decision or order for any document to be amended and may award damages, make a

declaration of ineffectiveness, order for a fine to be paid, and/or order the duration of the

contract to be shortened. If however the contract has been concluded, the Court may only

award damages or, where the contract award procedures have not been followed correctly,

declare the contract to be ineffective.