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## **Expressions of interest for the provision of primary medical services for St Thomas Road Surgery**

NHS Derby & Derbyshire Integrated Care Board

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

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

NHS Derby & Derbyshire Integrated Care Board

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**Region code**

UKF1 - Derbyshire and Nottinghamshire

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://www.joinedupcarederbyshire.co.uk/derbyshire-integrated-care-board/>

Buyer's address

<https://www.joinedupcarederbyshire.co.uk/derbyshire-integrated-care-board/>

**I.3) Communication**

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Electronic communication requires the use of tools and devices that are not generally available. Unrestricted and full direct access to these tools and devices is possible, free of charge, at

<https://health-family.force.com/s/Welcome>

**I.4) Type of the contracting authority**

Body governed by public law

**I.5) Main activity**

Health

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## **Section II: Object**

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

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

Expressions of interest for the provision of primary medical services for St Thomas Road Surgery

Reference number

AG23015

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

- 85121100 - General-practitioner services

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

Services

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

NHS Arden and Greater East Midlands Commissioning Support Unit (AGCSU) on behalf of Derby and Derbyshire Integrated Care Board (ICB) (referred to as the Commissioner) are seeking expressions of interest from providers who currently hold a General Medical Services (GMS) or Primary Medical Services (PMS) contract to deliver primary medical services at St Thomas Road Surgery, Derby, as a branch surgery with their current patient list of 4,851 (by allocation while noting patient registration choice) from 1st April 2024.

Please note the deadline for expressions of interest is 10:00am Friday 7th July 2023.

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

This contract is divided into lots: No

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

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

NUTS codes

- UKF13 - South and West Derbyshire

Main site or place of performance

Lister House Building, 207 St Thomas Road, Derby, DE23 8RJ

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

St Thomas Road Surgery primary care services is currently being delivered via a caretaker contract which will cease on 31st March 2024. In 2021/2022 a full procurement was undertaken which resulted in limited interest and the successful bidder subsequently withdrawing due to recruitment challenges and the limited staff resources available to transfer under the TUPE arrangement. The Commissioner is exploring an alternative contracting model to ensure that patients have good access to primary care services and for interested providers to demonstrate their commitment to quality and safe patient care and are operationally resilient to overcome the current challenges faced in general practice.

The ICB has therefore decided the most appropriate way to achieve this aim is to offer this practice as a branch surgery with patient list to GMS/PMS providers, thus retaining the current premises with the patient list transferring to the successful bidder. As a branch of the successful bidder's existing GMS/PMS contract, the annual contract value represented by the branch surgery will reflect global sum rates.

St Thomas Road Surgery provides services to a diverse population in a deprived area of Derby. The surgery has a raw patient list size of 4,851 (weighted 4,127.97) as of 1 April 2023. The ICB requires the services to be delivered from the current surgery premises located at Lister House Building, 207 St Thomas Road, Derby, DE23 8RJ. The premises lease is due to end on 24 March 2029, the new provider will be expected to enter into a new lease agreement with the landlord.

The caretaker provider employed new staff directly under their existing GMS contract to support services at St Thomas Road Surgery due to the difficulty in employing staff on a short-term fixed contract. Therefore, new staff would not be eligible for TUPE at the end of the caretaker contract term. Interested providers are therefore to note the limited clinical and non-clinical resources available to transfer under the TUPE Agreement.

As of publication date of this notice, the following staff are available for TUPE (which may be subject to change):

1x Practice Nurse 0.56 WTE

1x Patient Services/Quality Care-Coordinator 0.72 WTE

St Thomas Road Surgery currently hold the contract for the Asylum Contingency Hotel which is due to expire on 31 March 2024, and it is anticipated this will continue beyond 1st April 2024. The practice provides medical care services to circa 250 service users in 3 Derby City Hotels (Midland Hotel Station Road, Midland Hotel London Road, and Mercure Hotel Newton Solney). The residents are registered with St Thomas Road Surgery and

included within the patient list size.

The ICB are looking for expressions of interests from providers who can mobilise within 3 months of contract award (scheduled for 31st December 2023 to commence contract 1st April 2024).

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

This is purely an early engagement exercise and does not commit the Commissioners to carry out a procurement process. Any subsequent procurement will be advertised separately and all organisations wanting to participate will need to respond to the procurement advertisement as and when published.

The procurement will be advertised in accordance with the requirements of the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 (as amended) (the “Regulations”) to the extent that the Regulations relate to services within the scope of Schedule 3 thereto (Social and Other Specific Services). The Commissioner and AGCSU are, therefore, bound only by those parts of the Regulations applying to Schedule 3 services.

The Contracting Authority will be using an eTendering system for this market engagement exercise. To express an interest and complete the questionnaire go to the ‘Live Opportunities’ list on the e-tendering portal at the following link: <https://health-family-contract-search.secure.force.com/?searchtype=Projects> and register your interest.

You can search for the opportunity by entering the following contract reference: “C175387- EOI for the provision of primary medical services for St Thomas Road Surgery”.

Neither the publication of this notice nor the employment of any particular terminology nor any other indication shall be taken to mean that the Contracting Authority intends to hold itself bound by any of the Regulations. Please see published procurement documentation for further details.

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

22 September 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