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## **Deprivation of Liberty Safeguards : Best Interest Assessor**

Leicestershire County Council  
Rutland County Council

F02: Contract notice

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

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

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**NUTS code**

UKF2 - Leicestershire, Rutland and Northamptonshire

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://www.eastmidstenders.org/index.html>

Buyer's address

<https://www.eastmidstenders.org/index.html>

**I.1) Name and addresses**

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Oakham

**Email**

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**I.2) Information about joint procurement**

The contract involves joint procurement

### **I.3) Communication**

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

<https://procontract.due-north.com/Advert/Index?advertId=52095b9b-d0f6-ec11-8116-005056b64545>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

<https://procontract.due-north.com/Advert/Index?advertId=52095b9b-d0f6-ec11-8116-005056b64545>

### **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**

Deprivation of Liberty Safeguards : Best Interest Assessor

Reference number

DN619377

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

- 85000000 - Health and social work services

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

Services

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

In this present instance, Leicestershire County Council, on behalf of Leicestershire County Council and Rutland County Council (hereafter referred to as “the Councils”), is undertaking a procurement exercise to appoint suitable providers to a Framework for the provision of the independent Best Interest Assessor (BIA) role under the Deprivation of Liberty Safeguards (Mental Capacity Act 2005). As a statutory requirement the role of the Best Interest Assessor is regulated by the Mental Capacity Act 2005, Deprivation of Liberty Safeguards (DoLS) Code of Practice, and relevant case law. Services will need to be delivered in line with the relevant guidance and legislation plus any local requirements outlined in the Service Specification. The purpose of this Service is to complement the in-house DoLS Teams by providing increased flexibility to allow effective management of BIA demand, availability and prioritisation. It is estimated that the framework will be used to source an estimated 10% of the total Best Interest Assessments across Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland per year

#### **II.1.5) Estimated total value**

Value excluding VAT: £2,332,000

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

This contract is divided into lots: No

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

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

NUTS codes

- UKF2 - Leicestershire, Rutland and Northamptonshire

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

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#### **II.2.5) Award criteria**

Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

#### **II.2.7) Duration of the contract, framework agreement or dynamic purchasing system**

Start date

1 October 2022

End date

30 September 2026

This contract is subject to renewal

No

#### **II.2.10) Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: No

#### **II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: No

#### **II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds**

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

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## **Section IV. Procedure**

### **IV.1) Description**

#### **IV.1.1) Type of procedure**

Open procedure

#### **IV.1.8) Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)**

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: No

### **IV.2) Administrative information**

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

Date

3 August 2022

Local time

12:00pm

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

English

#### **IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders**

Date

3 August 2022

Local time

12:15pm

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.1) Information about recurrence**

This is a recurrent procurement: No

### **VI.4) Procedures for review**

#### **VI.4.1) Review body**

Leicestershire County Council

Glenfield

Country

United Kingdom