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

Leicestershire County Council Rutland County Council

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## **Section I: Contracting authority**

## I.1) Name and addresses

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## Country

## **United Kingdom**

#### **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

**Rutland County Council** 

Oakham

#### **Email**

Martin.Hall@leics.gov.uk

### Country

**United Kingdom** 

#### **NUTS** code

UKF2 - Leicestershire, Rutland and Northamptonshire

## Internet address(es)

Main address

www.leics.gov.uk

## 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

# **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 inhouse 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

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 inhouse 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.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

## 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

# **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**