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Planning

CS6085 - Universal Provision of Youth Activities

London Borough of Tower Hamlets

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Scope

Reference

CS6085

Description

Tower Hamlets Council aims to create universal 'safe spaces' in every ward throughout the borough, where young people can stay safe, participate in positive activities and educational opportunities, as well as access additional support from youth workers. The Council intends to achieve this primarily by delivering the services in-house, although there is a need to commission up to 8 wards where no Council premises are available to run the service, to ensure there is an accessible universal provision available in all borough wards.

Improving services for young people is a key priority in The Tower Hamlets Children and Families Partnership Strategy 2024-2029 (TH_IS Accelerate). There has been significant investment in the Youth Service (Young Tower Hamlets), to transform the level of support available to children and young people so that they are given the best start in life and have easy access to opportunities to fulfil their potential. The Council's ambition to have youth service provision at ward level is a step towards achieving this vision, as centre-based youth work is recognised to significantly contribute to curricular goals such as health and wellbeing.

The commissioned Universal Ward Based Youth Activity provision will seek to provide youth centre provision in the specialist wards currently lacking in-house delivery.

It will support young people aged 11-19 (up to age 25 with SEN) with access to free, accessible, high quality and well publicised positive activities which embed the Service's commitment to promoting healthy living and provides safe, yet challenging spaces for personal and social development.

There is potential to procure these universal youth services in up to 8 wards (service lots) across Tower Hamlets Borough.

Successful Provider/s must deliver these services from a designated building (in each individual ward/service lot), whether it's their own or leased and this will be assessed during the tender.

Total value (estimated)

- £4,000,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Contract dates (estimated)

- 3 November 2025 to 2 November 2028
- Possible extension to 2 November 2030
- 5 years

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 85000000 - Health and social work services

Contract locations

- UKI - London

Engagement

Engagement deadline

20 May 2025

Engagement process description

The purpose of this Preliminary Market Engagement Notice is to provide advance notice to the marketplace for the upcoming tender opportunity and the intention of the London Borough of Tower Hamlets to hold a preliminary market engagement session to identify potential suppliers to ensure the submission of strong bids.

Market Engagement Session

To provide potential suppliers with more information about the upcoming opportunity, we are hosting an online Market Engagement session that will take place on Tuesday 20th May 2025 (1:00pm - 2:00pm). The session is advertised openly using this notice.

Suppliers wishing to attend the Preliminary market engagement session should be capable of meeting the procurement description/requirements outlined within this notification.

If you would like to attend, please register your interest free of charge at: www.londontenders.org (using reference DN773031) with confirmation of the name, position, email address and contact details of each attendee/s.

The deadline for registration is Monday 19th May 2025, 13:00 hours.

NOTE: Attendance at the market engagement is optional and does not provide suppliers with an advantage in any future related procurement. Attendance also does not constitute as an intention to tender for any future related procurement.

Participation

Particular suitability

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

Contracting authority

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