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Working Well Expansion Programme

Trafford Council

F14: Notice for changes or additional information

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Section I: Contracting authority/entity

I.1) Name and addresses

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Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Working Well Expansion Programme

Reference number

DN62837

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 80000000 - Education and training services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

The expansion of Working Well is a central pillar of the Greater Manchester Combined Authority's (GMCA) devolution agreement with Central Government.

The ambition of the devolution agreement is to achieve better outcomes for residents by securing significant influence, and ultimately control, over public spending in Greater Manchester (GM). The agreement was made on the condition that the GMCA will adopt a

mayoral model of governance. The benefits of the agreement cover a range of thematic areas including investment funds; transport; business support; housing; and planning.

The specific elements of the devolution agreement that are relevant to this tender exercise are:-

- a) An expanded Working Well programme, ultimately supporting 50,000 people to progress towards employment. Building on the existing programme, Working Well will provide participants with integrated, intensive support.
- b) A co-commissioned Work Programme. GM will commission, jointly with DWP, Work Programme provision that draws on and complements Working Well expansion, a reformed post 19 skills landscape and broader employment and skills reform.
- c) A reshaped FE post 19 skills system. GM will incentivise skills providers to focus on meeting the needs of defined GM priority groups, ensuring the right support is in place to move people on to employment or to continue in education.
- d) A reformed approach to delivering the AGE Grant. Ensuring the use of the grant is aligned with broader support for GM residents and the priority growth sectors across GM.
- e) Alignment of Skills Capital. Ensuring GM has the infrastructure that supports the delivery of a reformed employment and skills landscape.

In addition to supporting residents into employment, Working Well Expansion will support those in low paid or insecure employment to progress to higher skilled and higher paid jobs. Greater Manchester has low levels of productivity compared with London, and a key outcome of Working Well is to increase productivity levels and reduce dependency of those in work who continue to rely on benefits such as Working Tax Credits.

The Working Well Expansion will consist of three separate elements: personalised support (which this tender pertains to); the Mental Health Therapeutic Interventions tender; and the Skills for Employment tender. It is envisaged that these elements will begin delivery at the same time and they will work together and integrate with other local services, to provide a holistic approach to moving people into sustainable employment. The personalised support is the linchpin of the Working Well Expansion programme and all clients will be supported through this service.

Trafford Metropolitan Borough Council is acting as the procurer on behalf of the GMCA to appoint a provider/s. The programme will be delivered across all ten Local Authority areas of GM:

Bolton

Bury

Manchester

Oldham

Rochdale

Salford

Stockport

Tameside

Trafford

Wigan

The contract will be awarded based on two areas (or 'lots') which are as follows:

- Lot One: Manchester, Salford, Trafford
- Lot Two: Bolton, Bury, Oldham, Rochdale, Stockport, Tameside, Wigan

The lots have been grouped as such so that they are coterminous with Jobcentre Plus districts. Bidders will be able to bid for one or both lots. Should the highest scoring bidder bid for both lots, they will win the contract for the whole programme area. If the highest scoring bidder bids for one lot only, the remaining lot will be awarded to the next highest bidder who has bid for that lot.

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.6) Original notice reference

Notice number: [2017/S 024-041992](#)

Section VII. Changes

VII.1.2) Text to be corrected in the original notice

Section number

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Lot No

1

Instead of

Text

Extension to Contract for 9 months for additional works, services or supplies by the original contractor that have become necessary and were not included in the initial procurement, where a change of contractor—

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