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Tender

Provision of Short Term Assessment Service

Falkirk Council

F21: Social and other specific services – public contracts

Contract notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

Falkirk Council

The Foundry

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Email

cpu@falkirk.gov.uk

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Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

UKM76 - Falkirk

Internet address(es)

Main address

<http://www.falkirk.gov.uk>

Buyer's address

https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA00184

I.3) Communication

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

<https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

<https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk>

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

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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

Provision of Short Term Assessment Service

Reference number

AS/005/24

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 85000000 - Health and social work services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Delayed discharges are rising to unacceptable levels due to care, including care at home, being unavailable. Remaining unnecessarily in hospital after treatment is complete can lead to rapid deterioration in physical and mental well-being, particularly in people with dementia. In addition, the occupancy of acute hospital beds by those who no longer need clinical care means these beds will not be available to those who do need them. The aim of the service is to support significant reductions in the number of people delayed in discharge from hospital until more appropriate care and support is available. Short term assessment care will have a clear focus on rehabilitation, recovery and recuperation in a Care Home environment within the Falkirk Council area.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £695,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 85310000 - Social work services

- 85311000 - Social work services with accommodation
- 85320000 - Social services
- 85300000 - Social work and related services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKM76 - Falkirk

Main site or place of performance

Placements within Falkirk Council area.

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The aim of the service is to support significant reductions in the number of people delayed in discharge from hospital until more appropriate care and support is available. Short term assessment care will have a clear focus on rehabilitation, recovery and recuperation in a Care Home for Older People environment within the Falkirk Council area.

The duration of the Framework Agreement will be from 1st August 2024 to 31st March 2025. The period of call off contracts from the framework are not limited to the framework period.

II.2.6) Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: £695,000

II.2.7) Duration of the contract or the framework agreement

Start date

1 August 2024

End date

31 March 2025

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 III. Legal, economic, financial and technical information

III.1) Conditions for participation

III.1.4) Objective rules and criteria for participation

List and brief description of rules and criteria

The minimum requirements will be:

Care Home for Older People located within Falkirk Council area registered with the Care Inspectorate.

Minimum grades of 3 with the Care Inspectorate across all Quality themes.

Agree to the pricing as outlined in Schedule 1.

The Care Home is signed up to the terms and conditions of the National Care Home Contract.

The ability to provide certain data as specified in the contract service specification and main terms & conditions.

III.2) Conditions related to the contract

III.2.1) Information about a particular profession

Execution of the service is reserved to a particular profession

Reference to the relevant law, regulation or administrative provision

Registration with the Care Inspectorate and Scottish Social Services Council in accordance with Regulation of Care (Scotland) Act 2001 as amended.

Bidders should provide Registration number(s) etc at Section 4A.2 in the SPD.

III.2.2) Contract performance conditions

It is expected that successful Providers will have and maintain a Care Inspectorate rating of 3 or above across all quality themes.

It is a requirement that bidders hold, or can commit to obtain prior to the commencement of any subsequently awarded contract, the following types/levels of insurance as a minimum:

Employer's (Compulsory) Liability Insurance = 10M GBP

Public Liability Insurance = 5M GBP

Professional Indemnity Insurance = 5M GBP

SPD 4B.6 Where the credit score is less than 30/100 the bidder may be excluded from the tender process unless satisfactory information is provided that gives assurances regarding financial risk in appointing the bidder to the Framework.

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Form of procedure

Open procedure

IV.1.3) Information about a framework agreement

The procurement involves the establishment of a framework agreement

IV.1.10) Identification of the national rules applicable to the procedure

Information about national procedures is available at:

<https://www.legislation.gov.uk/ssi/2015/446/part/2/chapter/3/crossheading/social-and-other-specific-services/made>

IV.1.11) Main features of the award procedure

As contained within the tender documents.

IV.2) Administrative information

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

Date

1 July 2024

Local time

5:00pm

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

English

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.2) Information about electronic workflows

Electronic ordering will be used

Electronic invoicing will be accepted

Electronic payment will be used

VI.3) Additional information

The scope of services to be provided under this Framework falls within the definition of social and other specific services in Schedule 3 to the Public Contracts (Scotland) Regulations 2015 ("the Regulations") and therefore the procurement process shall be subject to the requirements of section 7 of the Regulations.

SPPN 7/2021 may apply.

Reserve right to open Framework to new entrants. New Entrants will be subject to the same requirements as detailed in this Contract Notice and Tender Documents. New Entrants can apply by making initial contact to cpu@falkirk.gov.uk.

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VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Falkirk Sheriff Court and Justice of the Peace Court

Sheriff Court House Main Street Camelon

Falkirk

FK1 4AR

Country

United Kingdom