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Planning

Contract for Managed Service to support Adult Safeguarding

Kent County Council

F01: Prior information notice

Reducing time limits for receipt of tenders

Notice identifier: 2021/S 000-018502

Procurement identifier (OCID): ocids-h6vhtk-02cfb4

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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I.3) Communication

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

<https://www.kentbusinessportal.org.uk/>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

<https://www.kentbusinessportal.org.uk/>

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

Contract for Managed Service to support Adult Safeguarding

Reference number

DN560752

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 85000000 - Health and social work services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

The recent Covid-19 pandemic lockdowns has resulted in a higher number of safeguarding concerns being raised within Kent County Council Adult Social Care. To ensure the Local Authority meets its statutory duties the council is looking to procure a managed service to support with current demand to fulfil its section 42 obligations for a period of 6 months.

We are looking for agencies who can provide the following

- 20 fully qualified and experienced Social Workers to lead and oversee safeguarding activity
- Be accountable in the role of Designated Safeguarding officer
- Manage the progression of Safeguarding enquiries, which include a significant proportion of highly complex cases which require a high level of specialist expertise.
- Social workers who can provide direction and guidance for Safeguarding Officers.

We are looking for a hybrid of staff – remote working and an element within Kent to support face to face visits when required.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £500,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKJ4 - Kent

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Please note that these timescales are subject to change.

- 2 August 2020 Publish PIN on portal
- 9 August 2020 PIN closes
- 2- 9 August 2020 Contact providers to discuss requirements
- 9 - 13 August 2020 Prepare all paperwork
- No later than 15 Aug: Go live with procurement process

II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds

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

II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

15 August 2021

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: No

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

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