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Tender

Let's Chat: Connecting People across the West Midlands

West Midlands Combined Authority

F02: Contract notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

UKG3 - West Midlands

Internet address(es)

Main address

www.wmca.org.uk

I.3) Communication

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

<https://wmca.bravosolution.co.uk>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

<https://wmca.bravosolution.co.uk>

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted to the above-mentioned address

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

<https://wmca.bravosolution.co.uk>

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Regional or local authority

I.5) Main activity

Other activity

Public Transport

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Let's Chat: Connecting People across the West Midlands

Reference number

2022-04079

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 98000000 - Other community, social and personal services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

As part of the Government's Strategy to Tackle Loneliness, it offered opportunities for Local Authorities and charitable bodies to seek funding for one-year pilot transport initiatives to tackle issues of loneliness in their areas. Transport for West Midlands (TfWM), part of the West Midlands Combined Authority (WMCA), submitted proposals for a 'Let's Chat' project, working with community transport operators to provide specific services across the West Midlands. TfWM's proposal was shortlisted and subsequently approved and this provides the funding to deliver a pilot project.

'Let's Chat' uses transport as a central focus and consists of going close to where people are and offering the opportunity for social contact, a chat and a coffee, please see the Specification document for further details.

The WMCA is seeking applications from suitably qualified voluntary or charitable organisations who may 'bid' for a grant to provide one or more of three Lots. Applications for each Lot will be assessed independently and awarded on their own merits and the WMCA may appoint either 1, 2 or 3 applicants in total to deliver all three Lots.

Lot 1 - Coventry, mid-Birmingham and Black Country areas

Lot 2 - Walsall area

Lot 3 - South Birmingham area

The contract for this grant will be on the draft Grant Funding Agreement, a copy of which is provided, and applications are being assessed on the evaluation criteria outlined in the Commercial Envelope of BravoSolution. Only those organisations that have responded satisfactorily to the questions in the Qualification Envelope of BravoSolution will go on to have their applications assessed.

The closing date for submissions is 1700 on 05/08/22 and if you have any clarification questions please submit these by 1700 on 29/07/22

In order to access the documents and submit your application please do so through BravoSolution, the WMCA's e-tendering portal (<https://wmca.bravosolution.co.uk>). The reference is itt_1133 and if you are not already registered on BravoSolution it is free and usually only takes a few minutes to do so.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £411,440

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

Tenders may be submitted for all lots

Maximum number of lots that may be awarded to one tenderer: 3

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Coventry, mid-Birmingham and Black Country areas

Lot No

1

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 98000000 - Other community, social and personal services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKG3 - West Midlands

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

- Conversion and provision of 2 mobile units
- Management of drop-in space at 3 bus stations: Coventry, West Bromwich and Dudley
- Provision of door-to-door transport

II.2.5) Award criteria

Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

II.2.6) Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: £227,264

II.2.7) Duration of the contract, framework agreement or dynamic purchasing system

Duration in months

9

This contract is subject to renewal

No

II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: Yes

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

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Walsall area

Lot No

2

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 98000000 - Other community, social and personal services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKG3 - West Midlands

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

- Conversion and provision of 1 mobile unit
- Management of drop-in space at 2 bus stations: Walsall and Bilston
- Provision of door-to-door transport

II.2.5) Award criteria

Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

II.2.6) Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: £110,360

II.2.7) Duration of the contract, framework agreement or dynamic purchasing system

Duration in months

9

This contract is subject to renewal

No

II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: Yes

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

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

South Birmingham area

Lot No

3

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 98000000 - Other community, social and personal services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKG3 - West Midlands

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

- Conversion and provision of 1 mobile unit
- Provision of door-to-door transport

II.2.5) Award criteria

Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

II.2.6) Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: £73,816

II.2.7) Duration of the contract, framework agreement or dynamic purchasing system

Duration in months

9

This contract is subject to renewal

No

II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: Yes

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 III. Legal, economic, financial and technical information

III.1) Conditions for participation

III.1.2) Economic and financial standing

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

III.1.3) Technical and professional ability

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

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: Yes

IV.2) Administrative information

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

Date

5 August 2022

Local time

5:00pm

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

English

IV.2.6) Minimum time frame during which the tenderer must maintain the tender

Duration in months: 1 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)

IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders

Date

5 August 2022

Local time

5:00pm

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: No

VI.2) Information about electronic workflows

Electronic ordering will be used

Electronic invoicing will be accepted

Electronic payment will be used

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

WMCA

Birmingham

Country

United Kingdom