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Planning

Part Managed Payroll Services and System 2025-2030

Avon Fire and Rescue Service

F01: Prior information notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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Country

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NUTS code

UKK1 - Gloucestershire, Wiltshire and Bristol/Bath area

Internet address(es)

Main address

https://www.avonfire.gov.uk/

I.3) Communication

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Regional or local authority

I.5) Main activity

Public order and safety

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Part Managed Payroll Services and System 2025-2030

Reference number

AFRS05-2024-10

II.1.2) Main CPV code

• 79631000 - Personnel and payroll services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

The successful provider will need to support the Service with a part-managed payroll provision, including a suitable user-friendly payroll system which will be fully supported by the provider in terms of system maintenance, training and continuous updates. This will also need to support online expenses with a number of complexities around allowances and rates of payment and user access to online payslips and account maintenance. They will need to liaise and work closely with our pension administrators for both LGPS and Firefighter pensions and the provider of our financial services and finance ledger which is currently hosted by our Local Authority partner.

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 79211110 Payroll management services
- 79631000 Personnel and payroll services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

• UKK1 - Gloucestershire, Wiltshire and Bristol/Bath area

Main site or place of performance

Portishead

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

18 June 2024

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: Yes

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

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