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Tender

## **The recruitment and management of children's agency social workers and non social worker roles**

Birmingham City Council on behalf of Birmingham Children's Trust

F02: Contract notice

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### **Section I: Contracting authority**

#### **I.1) Name and addresses**

Birmingham City Council on behalf of Birmingham Children's Trust

1 Lancaster Circus

Birmingham

B4 7DJ

#### **Contact**

Corporate Procurement Services

#### **Email**

[etendering@birmingham.gov.uk](mailto:etendering@birmingham.gov.uk)

#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **NUTS code**

UKG31 - Birmingham

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

[www.finditinbirmingham.com](http://www.finditinbirmingham.com)

Buyer's address

[www.in-tendhost.co.uk/birminghamcc](http://www.in-tendhost.co.uk/birminghamcc)

**I.3) Communication**

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

[www.in-tendhost.co.uk/birminghamcc](http://www.in-tendhost.co.uk/birminghamcc)

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

[www.in-tendhost.co.uk/birminghamcc](http://www.in-tendhost.co.uk/birminghamcc)

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

**I.4) Type of the contracting authority**

Regional or local authority

**I.5) Main activity**

General public services

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## **Section II: Object**

### **II.1) Scope of the procurement**

#### **II.1.1) Title**

The recruitment and management of children's agency social workers and non social worker roles

Reference number

P0903

#### **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 Children's Trust wishes to establish a contract for the provision of Children's Agency Social Workers and Non Social Worker roles. The successful Provider must be able to supply and manage the effective provision of quality Children's Social Workers (and non Social Worker roles) for assignments within the Trust. The Trust have developed an outcomes focused specification and therefore welcome proposals from Master Vendor Managed Service Providers and Neutral Vendor Managed Service Providers on how best they can meet the requirements in the specification. A list of other Agency roles that may be required by the Trust are outlined within the specification and tender document and providers are asked to identify which Agency roles they can deliver along with their pricing structure for delivery. These are not mandatory and providers will not be evaluated on their capacity to deliver these roles.

#### **II.1.5) Estimated total value**

Value excluding VAT: £6,000,000

#### **II.1.6) Information about lots**

This contract is divided into lots: No

### **II.2) Description**

## **II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 85000000 - Health and social work services
- 79414000 - Human resources management consultancy services
- 79600000 - Recruitment services
- 85310000 - Social work services
- 85300000 - Social work and related services

## **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UKG31 - Birmingham

## **II.2.4) Description of the procurement**

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## **II.2.5) Award criteria**

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

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

Duration in months

36

This contract is subject to renewal

No

**II.2.10) Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: No

**II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: Yes

Description of options

With the provision to extend for up to an additional 2 years (1 +1) subject to requirements and satisfactory performance.

**II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds**

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

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## **Section III. Legal, economic, financial and technical information**

### **III.1) Conditions for participation**

#### **III.1.1) Suitability to pursue the professional activity, including requirements relating to enrolment on professional or trade registers**

List and brief description of conditions

Further details provided in the tender documentation

#### **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

12:00pm

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

English

#### **IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders**

Date

5 August 2022

Local time

12:00pm

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.1) Information about recurrence**

This is a recurrent procurement: No

### **VI.3) Additional information**

The Council will be using its free to use e-tendering system (in-tend) for the administration of this procurement process and potential suppliers must register with the system to be able to express an interest. If you wish to express an interest in this opportunity please click on the following link to access <https://in-tendhost.co.uk/birminghamcc/> and submit your details to register. You will then be sent details on how to log on which will enable you to download all relevant Invitation to Tender (ITT) documentation. If you are unable to register with In-tend or have any questions or problems on how to use this web site please either email us at: [cps@birmingham.gov.uk](mailto:cps@birmingham.gov.uk) Your completed tender submission should be returned by noon on 5th August 2022 via the 'in-tend' system <https://in-tendhost.co.uk/birminghamcc>

### **VI.4) Procedures for review**

#### **VI.4.1) Review body**

High Court of England and Wales

Royal Courts of Justice, Strand

London

WC2A 2LL

Country

United Kingdom