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Tender

Provision of a SEND Information Advice and Support Service

Sefton Council

F02: Contract notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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Buyer's address

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

I.3) Communication

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

<https://procontract.due-north.com/ProjectManagement/ProjectDashboard?projectId=9a2c37c4-b92c-ef11-812c-005056b64545>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

<https://procontract.due-north.com/ProjectManagement/ProjectDashboard?projectId=9a2c37c4-b92c-ef11-812c-005056b64545>

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 a SEND Information Advice and Support Service

Reference number

DN728746

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 85320000 - Social services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

The SENDIASS (special educational needs and disability Information Advice and Support Service) is a statutory service under sections 19(c), 26(3), 32 and 49 of the Children and Families Act 2014

Regulations. The purpose of the Service is to provide children and young people aged 0 – 25 years with special educational needs and/or disabilities (SEND) and their parents/carers with free impartial information, advice and support about matters relating to SEND including information on matters relating to education, health and social care as defined in the SEND Code of Practice.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £400,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKD73 - Sefton

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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In the context of the delivery of this service, impartiality is defined as providing factual information about all available options, and advice and support, so that parents/carers of children and young people with SEND and young people with SEND can make informed decisions, without bias, influence or direction, based on the service's ethos or the staff's own views, beliefs, personal judgements or experiences.

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

Yes

Description of renewals

Contract to be reviewed in January 2026 with a view to exercising a 12 month extension or tendering again for the service.

II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: No

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 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

19 July 2024

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

19 July 2024

Local time

1:00pm

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: Yes

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Sefton Council

Bootle

Country

United Kingdom