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Tender

Provision of an Integrated Community Sexual Health Service in Sefton

Sefton Council

F02: Contract notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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Main address

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

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/Advert/Index?advertId=116e45e4-dd26-f011-8136-005056b64545>

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/Advert/Index?advertId=116e45e4-dd26-f011-8136-005056b64545>

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 an Integrated Community Sexual Health Service in Sefton

Reference number

DN768081

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 85323000 - Community health services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Sefton Council wishes to appoint a Provider to provide an Integrated Community Sexual Health Service in Sefton.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £23,100,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 85100000 - Health services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKD73 - Sefton

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

This is a notice for the Provision of an Integrated Community Sexual Health Service in Sefton.

Local authorities are responsible for improving the health of their local population and the commissioning of public health services, including sexual health services.

Sefton's Public Health Commissioners' ambitions for improving the sexual health and wellbeing of the people of Sefton are set out in the service specification. It acknowledges the need for close collaboration between Public Health Commissioners and the Provider to shape the service in response to local intelligence, sexual and reproductive health need, and the insight obtained through consultations with Sefton residents and other stakeholders.

The initial term of the Contract will be for four years from 1st April 2026 until 31st March 2030 with a proviso in the Contract documentation for the Council to have the option to extend the Contract up to a maximum of three years after the initial term.

The Council's maximum budget for this contract is £3,300,000 exc. VAT per annum. The approximate lifetime value of the contract is £23,100,000 exc. VAT. Tenders including price proposals that exceed the ceiling price will be deemed non-compliant and will be rejected.

Agreed rates will be fixed for 36 months from the Contract start date. Any price variation following the 36-month fixed period will be subject to the percentage uplift to the available Public Health Grant awarded to the Council.

The price agreed for the contract is subject to the ongoing availability of sufficient funding. The Council reserves the right to increase the budget should additional funding be available. Allocation of additional funding to this contract will be at the sole discretion of the Council.

The Council will conduct this procurement in accordance with The Health Care Services (Provider Selection Regime) Regulations 2023 (Regulation 11, Competitive Process).

Tenders must be returned electronically via the Council's tendering portal, The Chest (www.the-chest.org.uk). The reference number for this tender on the portal is DN768081.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 50%

Quality criterion - Name: Social Value / Weighting: 10%

Quality criterion - Name: Presentation / interview / Weighting: 35%

Price - Weighting: 5

II.2.6) Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: £23,100,000

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

Start date

1 April 2026

End date

31 March 2030

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

The initial term of the Contract will be for four years from 1st April 2026 until 31st March 2030 with a proviso in the Contract documentation for the Council to have the option to extend the Contract up to a maximum of three years after the initial term.

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

II.2.14) Additional information

This contract will be awarded on the basis of the Most Advantageous Tender (MAT) through evaluation of Quality (50%), Social Value (10%), Price (5%) and Presentation /

Interview (35%). The award criteria have taken into account the Provider Selection Regime's key criteria.

Basic selection criteria will be assessed as part of this procurement. Only bids which pass the selection criteria will be considered applicable for the assessment of the award criteria.

Following the assessment of the basic selection criteria, Quality, Social Value and Price will be assessed. Only bidders ranked 1, 2 and 3 will be taken through to Presentation / Interview, subject to those bidders being able to promote their bid to a successful position with the marks remaining for Presentation / Interview.

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

2 June 2025

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

2 June 2025

Local time

12:00pm

Place

The Chest (www.the-chest.org.uk). Contract reference DN768081.

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: Yes

Estimated timing for further notices to be published: Re-procurement will start approximately one year before the end of the contract.

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

High Court of England and Wales

Royal Courts of Justice, The Strand

London

WC2A 2LL

Country

United Kingdom

VI.4.3) Review procedure

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

Review procedures are as set out in The Health Care Services (Provider Selection Regime) Regulations 2023.