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Planning

Fostering and Continuing Care Framework

The City of Edinburgh Council

F21: Social and other specific services – public contracts

Prior information notice without call for competition

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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Contact

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Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

UKM75 - Edinburgh, City of

Internet address(es)

Main address

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

Buyer's address

https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA00290

I.2) Information about joint procurement

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

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

General public services

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Fostering and Continuing Care Framework

Reference number

CT1432

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 City of Edinburgh Council (the Council) is seeking to establish a multi-supplier Framework agreement of child centred providers delivering quality foster placements for our children and young people aged 0-17 who have been assessed as requiring accommodation within a family-based care setting. This notice seeks to understand the level of interest in such an opportunity.

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Mainstream

Lot No

1

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 85000000 - Health and social work services

- 85300000 - Social work and related services
- 85311000 - Social work services with accommodation

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKM75 - Edinburgh, City of

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Required for placements that will have a range of background experience, environmental adversity, and attachment patterns, such as childhood abuse and trauma, neglect, young carers, additional needs and challenging behaviour.

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Specialist/ Disability

Lot No

2

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 85311000 - Social work services with accommodation
- 85000000 - Health and social work services
- 85300000 - Social work and related services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKM75 - Edinburgh, City of

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Children who are assessed as needing specialist foster care have usually experienced varying degrees of neglect, abuse and disruption. Some of the children may have lived in residential care. They can present a higher level of social, emotional and behavioural difficulties, but, with the right family, the children can grow, develop and thrive. Carers must demonstrate a clear knowledge of trauma informed practice.

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Short Breaks

Lot No

3

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 85311000 - Social work services with accommodation
- 85000000 - Health and social work services
- 85300000 - Social work and related services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKM75 - Edinburgh, City of

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The children need carer families who can care for them for short periods of time. This can allow them to have a break from their parents or carers, to enable them to continue to care for children by giving them some time and space for themselves. These breaks can vary in length and frequency.

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Continuing Care

Lot No

4

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 85311000 - Social work services with accommodation
- 85000000 - Health and social work services

- 85300000 - Social work and related services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKM75 - Edinburgh, City of

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Foster Carers can provide Continuing Care Services if they have already been providing Fostering Services and their suitability to provide Continuing Care has been assessed and approved following procedures as required by the Care Inspectorate and The Council.

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Permanent Placements

Lot No

5

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 85311000 - Social work services with accommodation
- 85000000 - Health and social work services
- 85300000 - Social work and related services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKM75 - Edinburgh, City of

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Children who need permanent fostering or adoption will have been looked after by the Communities and Families Department and are unable to return to their own homes for a range of reasons.

II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

5 August 2024

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

Please register your interest via Public Contracts Scotland by clicking 'Register my Interest' on this Prior Information Notice and follow up, as detailed in the additional document, to register your interest in joining the supplier engagement session.

By noting interest, you are agreeing to further engagement with the Council. There is no guarantee there will be a future tender opportunity.

It is considered this requirement is covered under the light touch regime of Public Contracts (Scotland) Regulations 2015.

Any information contained within this notice is information only and subject to change.

When reading this PIN, if you decide that your organisation has no further interest in pursuing this contract opportunity, then please be so kind as to remove your name and organisation from the interest list on Public Contracts Scotland.

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https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/Search/Search_Switch.aspx?ID=770242.

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