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## **Specialist Mental Health Victim and Witness Support for Cambridgeshire and Peterborough**

7 Forces Commercial Services

F01: Prior information notice

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

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

7 Forces Commercial Services

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United Kingdom

**NUTS code**

UKH1 - East Anglia

**National registration number**

N/A

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<http://www.suffolk.police.uk>

**I.3) Communication**

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

[https://uk.eu-supply.com/app/rfq/rwlenrance\\_s.asp?PID=51044&B=BLUELIGHT](https://uk.eu-supply.com/app/rfq/rwlenrance_s.asp?PID=51044&B=BLUELIGHT)

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

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

Body governed by public law

**I.5) Main activity**

Public order and safety

## **Section II: Object**

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

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

Specialist Mental Health Victim and Witness Support for Cambridgeshire and Peterborough

Reference number

7F 2022 C030

#### **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 Police and Crime Commissioner for Cambridgeshire and Peterborough is looking for a local organisation to provide expertise and support for victims and witnesses facing challenges with their mental health after experiencing a crime. Research has shown victims and witnesses of crime are more likely to report mental ill health, or have an existing condition exasperated as a result of their experience of crime, which can be traumatic.

#### **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
- 85300000 - Social work and related services

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

NUTS codes

- UKH1 - East Anglia

Main site or place of performance

Cambridgeshire

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

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The successful bidder will be required to:

- assess the needs of victims/witnesses referred to them and agree bespoke support plans which meet their needs and enable them to manage their mental health challenges which are preventing them from coping and recovering from the crime they have experienced;
- provide low-level mental health advice and support to include self-help techniques on relaxation, stress and anxiety management which enable a victim or witness to understand that what they are experiencing is a normal reaction to an abnormal incident;
- where required, support victims to access (including self-refer) to the most appropriate services, including primary care services (such as GPs) or secondary community care services (to include specialist teams) and advocate on their behalf;
- deliver emotional and practical support in a trauma-informed way.

Providers will be asked to deliver the service using a hybrid model with staff splitting their working time between the Victim and Witness Hub (currently at Copse Court, Peterborough) and either home or an organisation's office base.

Referrals for support will come via the Victim and Witness Hub, Independent Domestic Violence Adviser (IDVA) or Independent Sexual Violence Advocate Service (ISVA) and self-referrals.

The provider must have a comprehensive working knowledge of the local mental health and emotional support services available and know how to access them.

All service requirements will be detailed in a comprehensive Service Specification, which

will be released with the Invitation to tender later this year.

#### **II.2.14) Additional information**

A Request for information (RFI) will be uploaded with this PIN. The Authority would appreciate your input into the RFI. Please can suppliers respond to the RFI in the set timeframe to allow for a successful Supplier Engagement event

#### **II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice**

20 September 2022

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### **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

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

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

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The engagement event is scheduled for 13th September 2022 at 13:00 – 14:30 (this date/time is subject to change)

If you would like to attend or require information on this opportunity, please ensure you express interest in the PIN, and send a message via the portal confirming attendance, so formal invites can be shared. Please confirm the number of attendees and their email addresses.

You will be invited to attend an on-line Teams meeting where the Authority will host the supplier engagement event.

Joining instructions and an agenda of the day will be issued before the event.