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# **Framework Agreement for the Provision of Early Learning and Childcare Training Services (SQA and SSSC) - Approved Qualifications and Core Professional Learning**

Aberdeenshire Council

F02: Contract notice

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## **Section I: Contracting authority**

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

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Commercial & Procurement Shared Services

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Main address

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

Buyer's address

[https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search\\_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA00232](https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA00232)

**I.3) Communication**

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

[www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk](http://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk)

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

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**

Framework Agreement for the Provision of Early Learning and Childcare Training Services (SQA and SSSC) - Approved Qualifications and Core Professional Learning

#### **II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 80000000 - Education and training services

#### **II.1.3) Type of contract**

Services

#### **II.1.4) Short description**

Aberdeenshire Council and Aberdeen City Council require a range of Scottish Qualification Authority (SQA and SSSC) accredited and core professional learning courses. Consequently, they are seeking tenders for the Provision of Early Learning and Childcare Training Services Framework Agreement - Approved Qualifications and Core Professional Learning. The Councils have split this tender opportunity into twelve separate lots under two different categories (SQA and SSSC approved Qualifications and Core Professional Learning). Tenders may be submitted for one or more lots. For more information, please refer to the invitation to tender documentation.

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

This contract is divided into lots: No

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

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

- 80110000 - Pre-school education services

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

NUTS codes

- UKM50 - Aberdeen City and Aberdeenshire

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

Aberdeenshire Council and Aberdeen City Council invite tenders for the Provision of a Framework Agreement for the Provision of Early Learning and Childcare Training Services. The Councils have split this tender opportunity into twelve separate Lots under two different categories (SQA and SSSC approved Qualifications and Core Professional Learning) . Tenders may be submitted for one or more/all lots.

For more information, please refer to the invitation to tender documentation.

## **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

As per documentation.

## **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

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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

See documentation for further information.

#### **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

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## **Section IV. Procedure**

### **IV.1) Description**

#### **IV.1.1) Type of procedure**

Open procedure

#### **IV.1.3) Information about a framework agreement or a dynamic purchasing system**

The procurement involves the establishment of a framework agreement

Framework agreement with several operators

#### **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

12 June 2025

Local time

12:00pm

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

English

### **IV.2.6) Minimum time frame during which the tenderer must maintain the tender**

Tender must be valid until: 12 June 2025

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

Date

12 June 2025

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

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[https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/Search/Search\\_Switch.aspx?ID=798575](https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/Search/Search_Switch.aspx?ID=798575).

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Community benefits are included in this requirement. For more information see:

<https://www.gov.scot/policies/public-sector-procurement/community-benefits-in-procurement/>

A summary of the expected community benefits has been provided as follows:

Please Check the ITT documentation

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### VI.4) Procedures for review

#### VI.4.1) Review body

Aberdeen Sheriff

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