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Tender

## **Integrated Advocacy Service**

Staffordshire County Council

F02: Contract notice

Notice identifier: 2021/S 000-021227

Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-02b6d3

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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**

UKG24 - Staffordshire CC

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

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

**I.3) Communication**

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

<https://supplierlive.proactisp2p.com>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

<https://supplierlive.proactisp2p.com>

**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**

Integrated Advocacy Service

Reference number

IA2419

### **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 Council wishes to commission an Integrated Advocacy Service for the provision of statutory advocacy for eligible Individuals across Staffordshire.

### **II.1.5) Estimated total value**

Value excluding VAT: £2,213,120

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

This contract is divided into lots: No

## **II.2) Description**

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

- 85000000 - Health and social work services

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

NUTS codes

- UKG24 - Staffordshire CC

Main site or place of performance

Staffordshire

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

The Council wishes to commission an Integrated Advocacy Service for the provision of statutory advocacy for eligible Individuals across Staffordshire.

The Council invites suppliers to tender for an integrated approach to the coordination and delivery of a range of statutory advocacy services outlined below:

- a) Independent Advocacy under the Care Act 2014;
- b) Independent Advocacy for Prisoners under the Care Act 2014;
- c) Independent Mental Capacity Advocacy (IMCA) including Deprivation of Liberty Safeguards and Trained Representatives. Where the Individual has no family/friends to represent them, an advocate and/or trained person may be appointed to be the Rule 1.2 Representative;
- d) Independent Mental Health Advocacy (IMHA); and
- e) Independent Health Complaints Advocacy Service (ICAS).

In the provision of the Services, the Provider will:

- a. Provide a single point of access model that promotes a triage approach to ensure Individuals get the right advice, support and/or services required;
- b. Make use of digital;
- c. Recognise the benefits of strength-based and an Asset Based Approach to improving health and wellbeing, promoting independence and building community capacity;
- d. Be strongly encouraged to develop a model that uses volunteers to fulfil some of the roles where it is safe and appropriate to do so; it adds value to and improves the outcomes of the Service; and provides a valuable experience to the volunteer; and
- e. Target and support those with greatest need.

The tender will be procured via an open tender process.

Tenderers may submit as a provider or lead provider in the form of a consortia, or partnership arrangement or through sub-contracting arrangements with other organisations to deliver all of the service requirements within the Service Specification.

Suppliers should register on the Proactis e-tendering system:

<https://supplierlive.proactisp2p.com> and then select this tender opportunity to view and return tender documents.

#### **II.2.5) Award criteria**

Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

### **II.2.6) Estimated value**

Value excluding VAT: £2,213,120

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

Duration in months

48

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

Additional option to extend up to 12 months to 31st March 2025 and then a further 12 months up to 31st March

2026.

### **II.2.10) Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: No

### **II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: Yes

Description of options

Additional option to extend up to 12 months to 31st March 2025 and then a further 12 months up to 31st March

2026

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

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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

Please see ITT Questionnaire.

#### **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.1.8) Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)**

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

### **IV.2) Administrative information**

#### **IV.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure**

Notice number: [2021/S 000-012129](#)

#### **IV.2.2) Time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate**

Date

27 September 2021

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**

Duration in months: 6 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)

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

Date

27 September 2021

Local time

12:30pm

Place

Staffordshire

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.1) Information about recurrence**

This is a recurrent procurement: Yes

Estimated timing for further notices to be published: 24 months

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

This is an electronic tender. All submission must be made via the formal Contracting Authority electronic

tendering platform.

All requests for information to be sent through the electronic tendering portal and message facility on the

Proactis electronic tendering system.

How to register - follow the link to Proactis electronic tendering:

<https://supplierlive.proactisp2p.com/Account/Login>

If you require urgent assistance regarding the initial usage of the e-Tendering package please contact

the Contracting Authority point-of-contact in Section I.1 of this notice. On failure to reach this contact, please

immediately email the nature of the difficulty to [commercial.team@staffordshire.gov.uk](mailto:commercial.team@staffordshire.gov.uk)

This procurement is for a Contract between the appointed providers and the Contracting Authority, to supply

services as and when required.

The Contracting Authority or its public sector partners/Customers makes no guarantee as to the volume of

business on offer or to be awarded, and any volumes given are indicative only and intended as a



general guide.

There is no commitment at the time of tendering from any parties outside of the Contracting Authority and this

should be taken into consideration when bidding.

Financing / Payment:

payments may be made following acceptance by the banking agents of Staffordshire County Council

## **VI.4) Procedures for review**

### **VI.4.1) Review body**

Staffordshire County Council

Stafford

Country

United Kingdom