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Planning

Rough Sleepers Service

Wolverhampton City Council

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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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

Rough Sleepers Service

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 Wolverhampton Council is seeking organisations to provide Rough Sleeper services across the city until from 1st January 2023 until 31st March 2025.

Wolverhampton has a history of strong partnership working between organisations that support the rough sleeper cohort. This joined up approach has proven to be very successful and has achieved significant outcomes for people rough sleeping or at risk of rough sleeping in the City. City of Wolverhampton Council and its partners are committed to continuing this work to ensure that no individual feels that they have no choice other than to bed down on the streets, and that anyone who does sleep rough is provided with an immediate response and the appropriate support.

The Rough Sleeper Services contract will be split into three lots as detailed below. The three lots will provide essential services to prevent and relieve rough sleeping for people sleeping rough, people at risk of rough sleeping and people with a history of rough sleeping. Partnership bids that draw on the existing successful partnership working with this cohort and demonstrate added benefits of secure information sharing within the services will be welcomed. If a partnership bid was successful, a lead organisation would be expected to sub-contract other organisations for delivery against specific lots and/or outcomes. Fast mobilisation will be mandatory for all three lots with a start date of 1st January 2023.

Overall and high-level outcomes are achieved by:

- Preventing rough sleeping from occurring
- Early and rapid intervention when rough sleeping does occur

- Supporting individuals with either a history of rough sleeping or who are at risk of rough sleeping to sustain tenancies
- Supporting individuals to connect with wider support services including treatment services, probation, benefit support and physical and mental health services
- Improving information sharing between partners within the entire service
- Encouraging problem solving skills, resilience and independence

The Navigator and Housing First services will be delivered across the City of Wolverhampton at locations that are deemed most appropriate for the delivery of the different components of the service. The appropriateness of the locations should include an assessment of accessibility in relation to the target groups for the service. The Single Persons Accommodation Project will be delivered on site at the Bond House development.

Please note this PIN is purely for information only and does not automatically enrol suppliers to a future tender opportunity. This exercise is not part of any pre-qualification or selection process. It is intended as an awareness, communication and information-gathering exercise offering an opportunity for potential contractors to help understand commissioning intentions.

All information stated within the PIN are subject to change. The Council does not require at this stage any tender response documentation to be submitted other than an expression of interest by email to Adebimpe.winjobi@wolverhampton.gov.uk. latest by 31st August 2022. Failure to respond to this expression of interest will not disqualify suppliers from any future tender.

If you have any questions or require further information regarding this opportunity, please contact Adebimpe.winjobi@wolverhampton.gov.uk. Any information provided to suppliers ahead of tender publication will be logged and published as part of the tender documents.

The Council is not liable for any costs, fees or expenses incurred by any party participating in this exercise. Any procurement of any services, supplies or works by the Council in due course will be carried out strictly in accordance with the provisions in the Public Contracts Regulation.

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Navigator

Lot No

1

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 85100000 - Health services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKG39 - Wolverhampton

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Navigator: This service will provide outreach, in reach and floating support. The outreach staff will look to relieve rough sleeping and work with any individuals out on the street to support them into accommodation and signpost into other appropriate support services. The in-reach team would also work to prevent any instances of new or repeat rough sleeping. The in-reach element would include a single point of contact for a re-developed prison release pathway and will have an additional focus on support for women and preventing repeat rough sleeping. The service would also provide floating support for all tenures for short, sharp interventions and to signpost people to services that can support them to sustain their tenancy. Floating support would be used as a preventative tool, a step-down offer for those in supported accommodation, a graduation offer for Housing First clients and an assurance for private landlords. This service will bridge the gap for those individuals living in the community and ensure that they can access all services as and when required and will assist in further increasing tenancy sustainment. The Lot will be for an accountable manager and full team to provide all elements of the service, with a flexible focus across the three elements (outreach, in-reach and floating support) reacting to current need.

II.2) Description**II.2.1) Title**

Single Persons Accommodation Project

Lot No

2

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 85100000 - Health services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKG39 - Wolverhampton

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Single Persons Accommodation Project: The Single Persons Accommodation Project consists of four emergency bed spaces and 22 long-term accommodation units with multi-agency office space. The long-term units will have arms-length support and will be set at an affordable rate to allow people to seek employment. These units meet a need for a bridge between supported accommodation and tenancies in the community, to allow people to become independent whilst having the reassurance that support is there if required. The contract will be for an accountable manager and full staffing team to deliver the arms-length support, 24hour staff for the emergency beds, concierge and overall oversight of the office space on site.

II.2) Description**II.2.1) Title**

Housing First

Lot No

3

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 85100000 - Health services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKG39 - Wolverhampton

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Housing First: Housing First is an international housing project for getting people with complex needs and severe disadvantage a permanent and non-conditional offer of independent accommodation. It provides intensive support to support people to secure and maintain an independent tenancy. This project has been established in Wolverhampton for some time and the contract will be for a support team to continue this support and work to graduate people from the project. The number of clients on the programme is required to reduce over the period of the contract with individuals graduated on to other forms of appropriate support.

II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

8 September 2022

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