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## **Domiciliary Care Service**

Sandwell Metropolitan Borough Council

F14: Notice for changes or additional information

Notice identifier: 2021/S 000-023596

Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-02e2c8

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### **Section I: Contracting authority/entity**

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

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Main address

<https://www.sandwell.gov.uk/>

Buyer's address

<http://in-tendhost.co.uk/sandwellmbc>

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**Section II: Object**

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

**II.1.1) Title**

Domiciliary Care Service

Reference number

2021/S 000-023381

**II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 85000000 - Health and social work services

**II.1.3) Type of contract**

Services

**II.1.4) Short description**

Sandwell Metropolitan Borough Council wishes to appoint a number of organisations to the ASC084 Domiciliary Care Service to provide Domiciliary Care to eligible individuals living in Sandwell. It is anticipated that the Service will support approximately 20,000 to 25 000 hours of care per week. The amount of hours of care per week - may vary during the duration of the Contract.

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## Section VI. Complementary information

### VI.6) Original notice reference

Notice number: [2021/S 000-023381](#)

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## Section VII. Changes

### VII.1.2) Text to be corrected in the original notice

Section number

II

Place of text to be modified

II.2.4

Instead of

Text

Sandwell Metropolitan Borough Council wishes to appoint a number of organisations to the ASC084 Domiciliary Care Service to provide Domiciliary Care to eligible individuals living in Sandwell. It is anticipated that the Service will support approximately 20,000 to 25 000 hours of care per week. The amount of hours of care per week - may vary during the duration of the Contract. The Service will provide a broad range of general personal care and support services to eligible adults (18 years old and over) aimed at enabling individuals to maintain and recover maximum independence, support their wellbeing, provide support to individuals who have recently left hospital and ultimately allow people to remain living in their own homes. The Council intends to appoint up to 12 Providers to the Tier 1 List and an unlimited number of Providers to the Tier 2 List. All Providers will be appointed to deliver the Services across the Borough of Sandwell. The initial maximum hourly rate of £15.16 for the service has been set by the Council which will be reviewed annually in April of each year. Where appropriate, rates will be increased using a Fee Rate Escalator. Details of the Fee Rate Escalator are contained in the Procurement Documents. Providers will be required to provide a high quality service that aligns with the Council's vision for Adult Social Care and whilst participating in the further implementation of the personalisation agenda, giving citizens greater choice and control in this process. The overarching Domiciliary Care Service Agreement will commence on 1st March 2022 for an initial period of 5 years with the option of extending for up to an additional 5 years. Participants should note that this Procurement Process falls under the •Light Touch Regime• as set out in regulations 74-77 of the Public Contract Regulations 2015, for the purposes of the public procurement rules and as such the Council will not be

following one of the mandatory procurement procedures and the Procurement Process will be akin to an Open Procedure. Suitably qualified and experienced persons and organisations can view the full tender documentation that includes the Invitation to Tender, which contains details of the evaluation process, criteria and methodology, and Tender Response Documents; detailed Specification(s) and a copy of the Council's standard Terms and Conditions of Contract by registering on Sandwell's In-Tend Supplier Portal. The Council will be using the In-Tend e-Tendering System for this Procurement exercise, please visit <https://in-tendhost.co.uk/sandwellmbc> to access the Sandwell MBC In-tend Supplier Portal. Bidders attention is drawn to and they should note the following: a) There is no guarantee of volumes of work as referrals can decrease and/or increase; b) There is no guarantee that all Providers will receive an equal share of the work; c) The Terms and Conditions of Agreement Document, attached as Appendix 4 of the ITT, partly reflects services currently being provided by existing organisations and, therefore, the Transfer of Undertakings (Protection of Employment) Regulations 1981 may apply to this Contract. As such prospective Bidders should seek their own legal advice with regards to TUPE; d) The Council does not hold any TUPE Information and Bidders will need to contact current Providers whose TUPE Contact Points are shown in Appendix 6 to the ITT; e) The Tender will be Reopened every 6 to 12 months for the addition, subject to passing evaluation, of Providers to the Tier 2 List – full details are contained in the ITT documents; f) The Tier 1 List will be Refreshed every 2 to 4 years – full details are contained in the ITT documents; g) The Council will not allow Sub-Contractors for the provision of any Services under any Agreement emanating from this procurement process.

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Text

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Section number

IV

Place of text to be modified

IV.2.2

Instead of

Date

12 October 2021

Local time

5:00pm

Read

Date

21 October 2021

Local time

5:00pm

Section number

IV

Place of text to be modified

IV.2.7

Instead of

Date

12 October 2021

Local time

5:00pm

Read

Date

21 October 2021

Local time

5:00pm

Section number

VI

Place of text to be modified

VI.3

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Text

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Text

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II

Place of text to be modified

II.2.7

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Date

28 February 2027

Local time

12:00am

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Date

29 February 2032

Local time

12:00am