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# White Rose Independent Fostering Agencies (IFA) Electronic Market Place (EMP) Agreement

Leeds City Council - PACS

Barnsley Metropolitan Borough Council

City of Bradford Metropolitan District Council Bradford

**Doncaster Borough Council** 

Doncaster Children's Services Trust Limited

East Riding of Yorkshire Council

**Hull City Council** 

North East Lincolnshire Council

North Lincolnshire

Rotherham Borough Council

Sheffield City Council

The Borough Council of Calderdale

The Borough Council of Kirklees

Wakefield Metropolitan District Council

York City Council

F21: Social and other specific services – public contracts

Contract notice

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## **Section I: Contracting authority**

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Doncaster

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## I.2) Information about joint procurement

The contract involves joint procurement

## I.3) Communication

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

http://www.yortender.co.uk

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

http://www.yortender.co.uk

## 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

White Rose Independent Fostering Agencies (IFA) Electronic Market Place (EMP) Agreement

Reference number

DN549442

## II.1.2) Main CPV code

• 85300000 - Social work and related services

#### II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

## II.1.4) Short description

The overall requirement of this contract is that children will be placed with families who have been assessed and approved to provide a secure, warm, safe and supportive environment in which they can develop in all aspects of their lives

## II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £90,000,000

## II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

Tenders may be submitted for all lots

## II.2) Description

#### II.2.1) Title

Foster Family

Lot No

1

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

• 85300000 - Social work and related services

## II.2.3) Place of performance

**NUTS** codes

UKE - Yorkshire and the Humber

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

It is anticipated that most requests for service will be made under this Lot. The information below lists the minimum requirements for children and young people living with a foster family, however it should be remembered that all children and young people require nurture and support - particularly those who have experienced trauma and are no longer living with their birth family.

Children and young people placed under Lot 1 may exhibit some challenging behaviour as a result of their experiences and it is important that Foster Carers are appropriately skilled and supported by their agency to manage any challenges faced by the child or young person - challenging behaviour does not mean that a Lot 2 placement is automatically required, any concerns that arise should be discussed with the placing authority.

#### II.2.7) Duration of the contract or the framework agreement

Start date

1 April 2022

End date

31 March 2032

#### II.2.14) Additional information

Tenderers should note that if the Council wish to carry out new services at the end of this contract, which area repetition of the services detailed in this notice, then those additional services may be awarded using the negotiated procedure without publication of a notice in accordance with regulation 32(9) of the Public

Contracts Regulations 2015

## II.2) Description

#### II.2.1) Title

Foster Family with Additional Support

Lot No

2

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

85300000 - Social work and related services

#### II.2.3) Place of performance

**NUTS** codes

• UKE - Yorkshire and the Humber

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

Lot 2 may be used where additional support is required. The detail of additional support provided by the agency under a Lot 2 shall be specified by the agency on responding to a referral, this could be on an ongoing basis for the child or young person where a specific need has been assessed, or could be used for a time limited period to support the child or young person and their foster family and avoid a breakdown of placement resulting in a move for the child or young person.

All services included within a Lot 1 Foster Family, along with additional requirements in accordance with the child's individual assessed needs including but not limited to:

#### II.2.14) Additional information

Tenderers should note that if the council wish to carry out new services at the end of this contract, which are a repetition of similar services detailed in this notice, then those additional services may be procured using the negotiated procedure without publication of a notice in accordance with regulation 32 (9) of the Public Contracts Regulations 2015.

## II.2) Description

#### II.2.1) Title

Foster Family with Intensive Support

Lot No

3

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

• 85300000 - Social work and related services

## II.2.3) Place of performance

**NUTS** codes

UKE - Yorkshire and the Humber

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

Lot 3 may be used where additional support is required - this could be on an ongoing basis for the child or young person where a specific need has been assessed, or could be used for a time limited period to support the child/young person and their foster family and avoid a breakdown of placement resulting in a move for the child/young person.

## II.2.7) Duration of the contract or the framework agreement

Start date

1 April 2022

End date

31 March 2032

## II.2.14) Additional information

Tenderers should note that if the council wish to carry out new services at the end of this contract, which are a repetition of similar services detailed in this notice, then those additional services may be procured using the negotiated procedure without publication of a notice in accordance with regulation 32 (9) of the Public Contracts Regulations 2015.

## II.2) Description

#### II.2.1) Title

Parent and Child

Lot No

4

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

• 85300000 - Social work and related services

#### II.2.3) Place of performance

**NUTS** codes

• UKE - Yorkshire and the Humber

## II.2.4) Description of the procurement

A vital aspect of Parent and Child fostering is insuring positive parenting strategies are modelled by Foster Carers who will support and impart positive parenting including but not limited to routines, play and supporting attachment in line with the child's plan.

## II.2.7) Duration of the contract or the framework agreement

Start date

1 April 2022

End date

31 March 2032

#### II.2.14) Additional information

Tenderers should note that if the council wish to carry out new services at the end of this contract, which are a repetition of similar services detailed in this notice, then those additional services may be procured using the negotiated procedure without publication of a notice in accordance with regulation 32 (9) of the Public Contracts Regulations 2015.

## II.2) Description

## II.2.1) Title

Parent and Child Assessment

Lot No

5

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

• 85300000 - Social work and related services

#### II.2.3) Place of performance

**NUTS** codes

• UKE - Yorkshire and the Humber

## II.2.4) Description of the procurement

All services included within a Lot 4 - Specialist Placement - Parent and child fostering placement.

The assessment will be in the format agreed by the purchaser and be of sufficient quality, to be used in court if necessary for care proceedings

## II.2.7) Duration of the contract or the framework agreement

Start date

1 April 2022

End date

31 March 2032

#### II.2.14) Additional information

Tenderers should note that if the council wish to carry out new services at the end of this contract, which are a repetition of similar services detailed in this notice, then those additional services may be procured using the negotiated procedure without publication of a notice in accordance with regulation 32 (9) of the Public Contracts Regulations 2015.

## Section III. Legal, economic, financial and technical information

## III.1) Conditions for participation

## III.1.4) Objective rules and criteria for participation

List and brief description of rules and criteria

Tenderers must complete the Standard Selection Questionnaire and pass all the pass or fail questions in section 8, before their tender submission will be considered.

Bidders, at tender stage, must achieve a score of 60% overall on the scored questions. All tenderers who meet the overall meet the minimum score will be appointed onto the Electronic Market Place (EMP), for the lot applied for, as long as they pass the SSQ criteria.

There are no price evaluation as this tender is being evaluated on a Price and Quality separated basis. This means that only the tenderers who meets the minimum quality thresholds will be appointed onto the EMP with their prices submitted at the time of entry.

The prices submitted will only be considered at call-off stage once the matching to a young person's individual needs is met and therefore the contract (IPA) following internal Council approvals will be awarded to the tenderer who meets the minimum quality thresholds and submits the lowest price.

Block Contract, once on the EMP there may be an opportunity to apply for a block contract where an Authority may have identified a specific requirement. There will be a mini competition available to all bidders. The Criteria will be contained within the Specification tender document.

## III.2) Conditions related to the contract

#### III.2.2) Contract performance conditions

Please see Tender Documentation

## Section IV. Procedure

## **IV.1) Description**

## IV.1.1) Form of procedure

Open procedure

## IV.1.11) Main features of the award procedure

Please see Tender Documentation

# IV.2) Administrative information

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

Date

5 November 2021

Local time

12:00pm

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

English

## **Section VI. Complementary information**

## VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

The High Court of Justice

The Strand

London

WC2A 2LL

Country

**United Kingdom** 

#### VI.4.3) Review procedure

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

"The authority will incorporate a minimum 10 calendar day standstill period at the point information on the award of the contract is communicated to tenderers. This period allows unsuccessful tenderers to seek further information from the contracting authority before the contract is entered into.

Such additional information should be requested from the addressee found in I.1. If an appeal regarding the award of a contract has not been successfully resolved the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 (SI 2015 No 102) provide for aggrieved parties who have been harmed or are at risk of harm by a breach of the rules to take action in the High Court (England, Wales and Northern Ireland). Any such action must be brought promptly (within 30 days beginning with the date when the economic operator first knew or ought to have known that grounds for such action had arisen).

Where a contract has not been entered into the court may order the setting aside of the award decision or order the authority to amend any document and may award damages. Following the correct implementation of a10 day standstill period and publication of appropriate notices the court may only award damages once the contract has been entered into".