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## **Equalities Services within Warwickshire**

Warwickshire County Council

F21: Social and other specific services – public contracts

Contract notice

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### **Section I: Contracting authority**

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

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United Kingdom

**NUTS code**

UKG13 - Warwickshire

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

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

**I.3) Communication**

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

<https://www.csw-jets.co.uk>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

<https://www.csw-jets.co.uk>

**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**

Equalities Services within Warwickshire

Reference number

12455

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

- 98200000 - Equal opportunities consultancy services

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

Services

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

Warwickshire County Council (the Council) is seeking to commission a single or multiple provider(s) to deliver a range of free, confidential, independent advice and support services covering each of the protected characteristics as set out in the Equality Act 2010.

The service will deliver fully accessible advice and support around victimisation, discrimination, harassment and hate cases, and refer to specialist support organisations where appropriate.

The service will develop and deliver a range of equalities related training to community groups, faith groups, businesses, schools and public sector organisations.

The service will seek to improve community cohesion across Warwickshire via a range of engagement channels with community organisations and public sector organisations, ensuring different groups sitting under each of the protected characteristics feel their voices are heard and they have influence in local decision making.

The service will be divided into the following three lots:

- Lot 1 Discrimination and Hate Crime Support
- Lot 2 Provision of Equalities Training and Guidance
- Lot 3 Engagement and Community Cohesion

Where more than one supplier is successful in securing contracts for the delivery of the above lots, suppliers will work in partnership to deliver the service outcomes.

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

Value excluding VAT: £676,875

#### **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**

Lot 1 Discrimination and Hate Crime Support

Lot No

1

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

- 85322000 - Community action programme

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

NUTS codes

- UKG13 - Warwickshire

Main site or place of performance

Within the county boundaries of Warwickshire

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

Warwickshire County Council (the Council) is seeking to commission a single provider to deliver Discrimination and Hate Crime Support services.

The procurement will be an open procedure.

These services may be subject to modifications and changes in order to meet the

changing needs of the Council and the service and increases or decreases in funding.

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

Value excluding VAT: £225,625

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

Start date

1 April 2022

End date

31 March 2027

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

The initial contract term will be for 3 years however the Council reserves the right to extend the contract by further periods not exceeding 24 months

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

#### **II.2.1) Title**

Lot 2 Provision of Equalities Training and Guidance

Lot No

2

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

- 85322000 - Community action programme

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

NUTS codes

- UKG13 - Warwickshire

Main site or place of performance

Within the county boundaries of Warwickshire

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

Warwickshire County Council (the Council) is seeking to commission a single provider to deliver Provision of Equalities Training and Guidance.

The procurement will be an open procedure.

These services may be subject to modifications and changes in order to meet the changing needs of the Council and the service and increases or decreases in funding.

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

Value excluding VAT: £225,625

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

Start date

1 April 2022

End date

31 March 2027

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

The initial contract term will be for 3 years however the Council reserves the right to extend the contract by further periods not exceeding 24 months

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

#### **II.2.1) Title**

Lot 3 Engagement and Community Cohesion

Lot No

3

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

- 85322000 - Community action programme

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

NUTS codes

- UKG13 - Warwickshire

Main site or place of performance

Within the county boundaries of Warwickshire

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

Warwickshire County Council (the Council) is seeking to commission a single provider to deliver Engagement and Community Cohesion services.

The procurement will be an open procedure.

These services may be subject to modifications and changes in order to meet the changing needs of the Council and the service and increases or decreases in funding.

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

Value excluding VAT: £225,625

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

Start date

1 April 2022

End date

31 March 2027

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

The initial contract term will be for 3 years however the Council reserves the right to extend the contract by further periods not exceeding 24 months

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## **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

As detailed in the tender documentation.

The Council will undertake its financial assessment of the tendering organisation (and if considered necessary by the Council, any partners within a consortium bid) based on

its own evaluation of the tenderers' most recent 2 years accounts (or if 2 years accounts are not available, equivalent evidence which confirms financial viability). The accounts are not available, equivalent evidence which confirms financial viability). The assessment of accounts will be supported by an independent credit reference report from Credit Safe where this is available. The Council may also impose a bond or performance

guarantee on the successful tenderer. Minimum level(s) of standards possibly required:

Evidence as stated in the tender documentation.

### **III.2) Conditions related to the contract**

#### **III.2.2) Contract performance conditions**

As detailed in the tender documentation.



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## **Section IV. Procedure**

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

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

Open procedure

#### **IV.1.10) Identification of the national rules applicable to the procedure**

Information about national procedures is available at:

<https://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukxi/2015/102/contents/made>

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

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

Date

1 December 2021

Local time

12:00pm

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

English

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.2) Information about electronic workflows**

Electronic ordering will be used

Electronic invoicing will be accepted

Electronic payment will be used

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

Warwickshire County Council will be using its e-tendering system (CSW-JETS) for the administration of this procurement process. Providers must register with the system to be able to express an interest and download documents. The web address for CSWJETS is: [www.csw-jets.co.uk](http://www.csw-jets.co.uk) Registration and use of CSW-JETS is free. All correspondence or clarifications relating to this procurement must be via the CSWJETS correspondence function. If you are having trouble registering with CSW-JETS please

email us at: [procurement@warwickshire.gov.uk](mailto:procurement@warwickshire.gov.uk) Providers must register on CSW-JETS and express an interest in this project in order to download tender documents and be able to correspond with us about this procurement.

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

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

High Court for England and Wales

London

Country

United Kingdom