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Tender

## **Operation of Core Children's Centres**

Sandwell Metropolitan Borough Council

F02: Contract notice

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

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

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

Sandwell Metropolitan Borough Council

Sandwell Council House, Freeth Street

Oldbury

B69 3DB

#### **Contact**

Andy Jukes

#### **Email**

[andy\\_jukes@sandwell.gov.uk](mailto:andy_jukes@sandwell.gov.uk)

#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **NUTS code**

UKG37 - Sandwell

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

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

Buyer's address

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

**I.3) Communication**

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

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

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

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

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted to the above-mentioned address

**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**

Operation of Core Children's Centres

Reference number

SMBC 21093

#### **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 MBC Children's Services is seeking to appoint agencies to operate the core children's centres across the borough as set out in this document. Children's centres have evolved across the country over the years but the basic principles of providing early help and support to families remains key to delivery in Sandwell. This is not a new service. The authority has developed practice over the years and wishes to maintain many approaches as noted in the specification. The authority seeks consistency of practice across the towns but acknowledges that different emphasis will be required to address local issues in different communities. The successful agencies will work with the local authority to further develop and enhance the services provided. The service has been divided into 3 lots; providers are able to submit tenders for any combination of lots.

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

Value excluding VAT: £12,800,000

#### **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**

Smethwick and Oldbury

Lot No

Lot 1

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

- 85000000 - Health and social work services
- 85321000 - Administrative social services
- 85323000 - Community health services
- 85312300 - Guidance and counselling services
- 85312000 - Social work services without accommodation

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

NUTS codes

- UKG37 - Sandwell

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

Please refer to the ITT 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: £4,638,800

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

Start date

1 April 2022

End date

31 March 2026

This contract is subject to renewal

No

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

Variants will be accepted: No

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

Options: No

### **II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds**

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

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

The contract period will be for an initial period of three (3) years from 1 April 2022 to 31 March 2025. There is an additional option to extend for a further one (1) year period 31 March 2026 at the Council's discretion.

## **II.2) Description**

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

Rowley Regis and Tipton

Lot No

Lot 2

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

- 85000000 - Health and social work services
- 85321000 - Administrative social services
- 85323000 - Community health services
- 85312300 - Guidance and counselling services
- 85312000 - Social work services without accommodation

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

NUTS codes

- UKG37 - Sandwell

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

Please refer to the ITT 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: £3,642,400

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

Start date

1 April 2022

End date

31 March 2026

This contract is subject to renewal

No

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

Variants will be accepted: No

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

Options: No

### **II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds**

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

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

The contract period will be for an initial period of three (3) years from 1 April 2022 to 31 March 2025. There is an additional option to extend for a further one (1) year period 31 March 2026 at the Council's discretion.

## **II.2) Description**

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

Wednesbury and West Bromwich

Lot No

Lot 3

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

- 85000000 - Health and social work services
- 85321000 - Administrative social services
- 85323000 - Community health services
- 85312300 - Guidance and counselling services
- 85312000 - Social work services without accommodation

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

NUTS codes

- UKG37 - Sandwell

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

Please refer to the ITT 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: £4,498,400

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

Start date

1 April 2022

End date

31 March 2026

This contract is subject to renewal

No

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

Variants will be accepted: No

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

Options: No

### **II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds**

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### **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 refer to the ITT Documents

#### **III.1.2) Economic and financial standing**

List and brief description of selection criteria

Please refer to the ITT Documents

Minimum level(s) of standards possibly required

Please refer to the ITT Documents

#### **III.1.3) Technical and professional ability**

List and brief description of selection criteria

Please refer to the ITT Documents

Minimum level(s) of standards possibly required

Please refer to the ITT Documents

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## **Section IV. Procedure**

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

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

Open procedure

#### **IV.1.3) Information about a framework agreement or a dynamic purchasing system**

The procurement involves the establishment of a framework agreement

Framework agreement with several operators

Envisaged maximum number of participants to the framework agreement: 3

In the case of framework agreements, provide justification for any duration exceeding 4 years:

Not Applicable

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

Date

24 November 2021

Local time

3:00pm

**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: 4 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)

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

Date

24 November 2021

Local time

3:00pm

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

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

This is a recurrent procurement: Yes

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

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. From here you will be able to register your company, express an interest in the opportunity, and gain immediate access to the ITT and other related documents. In Order to View the On-Line Questionnaire and Submit a Tender, you will be required to `Opt-In`. For a Step by Step user guide to the Sandwell MBC In-tend Supplier Portal please click on the `Guidance for Suppliers` section of the website. All procurement responses must be carried out via the Sandwell MBC In-tend Supplier Portal. If you require further assistance in respect of the system, please contact the In-tend support team on 0844 272 8810.

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

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

The High Court of England

Royal Courts of Justice The Strand

London

WC2A 2LL

Country

United Kingdom