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**Planning** 

# Psychosocial Alcohol Intervention and Recovery Service (PAIRS)

**Essex County Council** 

F01: Prior information notice

Prior information only

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# **Section I: Contracting authority**

# I.1) Name and addresses

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**United Kingdom** 

## Region code

UKH3 - Essex

### Internet address(es)

Main address

https://www.essex.gov.uk/

Buyer's address

https://www.essex.gov.uk/

# I.3) Communication

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

https://procontract.due-north.com/

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

Psychosocial Alcohol Intervention and Recovery Service (PAIRS)

Reference number

DN740376

#### II.1.2) Main CPV code

85000000 - Health and social work services

#### II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

#### II.1.4) Short description

Essex County Council is intending to utilise the competitive process under the Provider Selection Regime for the re-procurement of the Psychosocial Alcohol Intervention and Recovery Service (PAIRS) and is organising a market engagement event for interested providers.

The market engagement event will take place from 2.00pm to 3.30pm via Microsoft Teams on 5 September 2024.

The intention for the market engagement is to:

- present the service aims and objectives;
- explore how providers may be able to add social value to this contract;
- gain insight into any challenges and/or lessons learned providers may be able to share;
- an opportunity to ask questions and/or raise any other areas providers may see as relevant.

The commissioning team will take suitable notes during the event to inform the commissioning of these decisions and will circulate the presentation slides, collate a Q&A document based on questions raised during the event with the providers. Providers will also have 48 hours after the event to send any additional questions they may have, and

these will be recorded and shared afterwards.

If you are interested in attending the virtual event, please register by emailing <a href="mailto:rizwan.sher@essex.gov.uk">rizwan.sher@essex.gov.uk</a> and provide the following details by no later than 12.00 pm, 4 September 2024:

- 1. Names and titles of delegates
- 2. Organisation details
- 3. Email addresses for delegates

Please note that registration at this event does not count as registration for the full procurement process, which will be separately advertised via the Find a Tender Service (FTS) website. We are aiming for this to be issued in October 2024. The service will be commissioned via a competitive process conducted in line with the Provider Selection Regime for Healthcare Services 2023. For the avoidance of any further doubt, please be advised that any dates for the proposed procurement opportunity within this notice are provided for indicative purposes only and the Council reserves the right to amend this information following confirmation of the procurement timetable for this project.

Full details of the structure of this procurement and associated timetable will be detailed within the corresponding Contract Notice in due course.

#### II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £6,501,565

#### II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

## II.2) Description

#### II.2.3) Place of performance

**NUTS** codes

• UKH3 - Essex

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

The Psychosocial Alcohol Intervention and Recovery Service (PAIRS) has been delivered in Essex since 2019. The aim of the Service is to provide community based psychosocial

interventions for those individuals with alcohol misuse issues, ensuring the service is safe and appropriate and in line with current local and national guidelines. The provider will work with service users to help them achieve their personal recovery goals and outcomes. The service will also provide direct support and expertise within various acute hospital sites, working jointly with the alcohol liaison nurses to engage with and support those admitted to hospital with alcohol related problems, or where alcohol has been identified as a problem once admitted.

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

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

5 year contract with option to extend for 2 years

## II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

31 October 2024

## 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