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#### Planning

# **Coroners removals - Market Engagement Event**

Reading Borough Council

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# Section I: Contracting authority

### I.1) Name and addresses

**Reading Borough Council** 

Reading

Contact

**Rhiannon Charnock** 

Email

Rhiannon.charnock@reading.gov.uk

#### Country

United Kingdom

#### NUTS code

UKJ11 - Berkshire

Internet address(es)

Main address

www.reading.gov.uk

## **I.3)** Communication

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

Coroners removals - Market Engagement Event

#### II.1.2) Main CPV code

• 98000000 - Other community, social and personal services

#### II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

#### II.1.4) Short description

CORONERS REMOVAL CONTRACT FOR BERKSHIRE Reading Borough Council, on behalf of H.M. Coroner for Berkshire, will shortly be initiating a procurement process for the provision of a Coroners Removal Service for Berkshire. The contract(s) is due to commence on 1st April 2024. The purpose of this tender is to appoint a contractor(s) for the removal of bodies where a death has been referred to H.M. Coroner for Berkshire for further investigation. The service is holding a pre-tender engagement presentation on Tuesday 17th October between 10:00 and 12:00 via Microsoft Teams. You will be able to learn more about the service, the contract and the procurement process. If you are interested in attending the TEAMS event please contact Principal Coroner's Officer, <u>Rhiannon.charnock@reading.gov.uk.To</u> register in advance of the tender publication to Reading's e-Procurement Portal "INTEND" please click on this link: <u>https://in-tendhost.co.uk/readingbc</u>

#### II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

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

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

• 98000000 - Other community, social and personal services

#### II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

• UKJ11 - Berkshire

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

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

22 September 2023

# 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