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Contract

Embedded Mental Health and Wellbeing Support in Schools

Glasgow City Council
East Renfrewshire Council

F03: Contract award notice

Notice identifier: 2024/S 000-028027

Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-043803

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

Glasgow City Council

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Contact

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Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

UKM82 - Glasgow City

Internet address(es)

Main address

www.glasgow.gov.uk

Buyer's address

 $\underline{https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA0019}\\ \underline{6}$

I.1) Name and addresses

East Renfrewshire Council

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Giffnock

G46 6UG

Email

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Telephone

+44 1415773669

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

UKM83 - Inverclyde, East Renfrewshire and Renfrewshire

Internet address(es)

Main address

http://www.eastrenfrewshire.gov.uk

Buyer's address

 $\underline{https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA0018} \\ \underline{3}$

I.2) Information about joint procurement

The contract involves joint procurement

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

Embedded Mental Health and Wellbeing Support in Schools

Reference number

GCC005853CPU

II.1.2) Main CPV code

• 85312300 - Guidance and counselling services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Glasgow City Council invites tender bids to be part of a flexible framework agreement to provide embedded mental health and wellbeing support services to schools across Glasgow and East Renfrewshire.

For clarity, the scope of services to be provided under this Flexible Framework Agreement fall within the definition of a "social and other specific" service under the Public Contracts (Scotland) Regulations 2015. Notwithstanding the term framework agreement this procurement is utilising the flexibility provided for within Section 7 of the Regulations in particular Regulation 76. This ITT details the procedure being utilised by the Council for this procurement.

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.1.7) Total value of the procurement (excluding VAT)

Value excluding VAT: £20,000,000

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 85312310 Guidance services
- 85312300 Guidance and counselling services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

UKM82 - Glasgow City

Main site or place of performance

Glasgow and East Renfrewshire

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Glasgow City Council Education Services have a requirement to provide high quality mental health and wellbeing supports for all learners across the city. We work with a wide range of organisations and suppliers to provide a range of services that are delivered in our schools and communities. The aims and principles of this offer are: -

To provide, in partnership with local and national government;-

- access to mental health and wellbeing support through schools, enabling locally provided support for children and young people towards promoting mental health and wellbeing;
- high quality and effective evidence-based interventions and training as part of a range of supports available locally to children and young people;
- staff who are suitably qualified and experienced in working with children and young people and working to an agreed standard across the city;
- access to mental health / wellbeing workers through primary, secondary, and additional supported learning (ASL) schools, ensuring consistently high-quality services locally, for pupils aged 5 and over.

Glasgow City Council Education Services are looking for a range of services that specifically offer support that are provided either within the school or the local community that the school is based in. We are referring to the term "embedded support" as this reflects the requirement for workers to be linked to the school so that they are part of the learning community. This would cover staff who are based in the school for part of the week, who deliver support in the school outside normal school hours or during school holidays or staff who work with children and young people in the wider community but are linked specifically to the school e.g. sport, outdoor activities, outdoor learning.

The service(s) should deliver interventions including:

- Family Support linked to schools, working with parents / carers to help support their children. Linked to this there may be Professional Learning and Development Training delivered through schools, linked to Mental Health, promoting resilience and wellbeing for staff working with children and young people
- Advice, Support and Therapeutic Services to Children and Young People (Evidenced based interventions but not including One to One Counselling). Linked to this there may be Professional Learning and Development Training delivered through schools, linked to Mental Health, promoting resilience and wellbeing for staff working with children and young people
- Creative Engagement with children and young people. Linked to this there may be Professional Learning and Development Training delivered through schools, linked to Mental Health, promoting resilience and wellbeing for staff working with children and young people
- Sport / Physical Activity / Outdoor Education
- Mentoring / Youth Work for young people including External Tutors / Additional Support. Linked to this there may be Professional Learning and Development Training delivered through schools, linked to Mental Health, promoting resilience and wellbeing for staff working with children and young people
- Group Work for children and young people focussing on promoting positive mental health, resilience, and wellbeing

Organisations are invited to bid for one or more of these services either within localities or across the city. Successful bidders would be included in a contract framework that would allow schools to purchase services for extended periods of time based on the funding they have available. There are significant advantages for all parties in having an extended contract agreement.

This framework only covers services that involve staff working in schools with children, young people, parents/carers, or education staff. This does include online resources, Apps or digital platforms.

Please refer to the Invitation to Tender document for further information.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Service Delivery / Weighting: 18%

Quality criterion - Name: Outcomes / Weighting: 17%

Quality criterion - Name: Partnership Activity / Weighting: 6%

Quality criterion - Name: Infrastructure / Weighting: 15%

Quality criterion - Name: Contract Implementation / Weighting: 7%

Quality criterion - Name: Monitoring and Evaluation / Weighting: 15%

Quality criterion - Name: Accessibility and Equality / Weighting: 3%

Quality criterion - Name: Business Continuity / Weighting: 4%

Quality criterion - Name: Sustainability / Weighting: 5%

Quality criterion - Name: Fair Work First / Weighting: 5%

Quality criterion - Name: Handling Data / Weighting: Information Only

Price - Weighting: 5%

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

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

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.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure

Notice number: 2024/S 000-004098

Section V. Award of contract

Contract No

GCC005853CPU

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

19 July 2024

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 67

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 58

Number of tenders received from tenderers from other EU Member States: 0

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 67

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 67

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

3D Drumchapel

Drumchapel Community Centre, 320 Kinfauns Drive

Glasgow

G15 8NH

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

• UK - United Kingdom The contractor is an SME Yes V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor **Aberlour** Kintail House, Forthside Way Stirling FK8 1QZ Country **United Kingdom NUTS** code • UKM - Scotland The contractor is an SME Yes V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor Achieve More Scotland Room 323 Edinburgh House, 20 Princes Square East Kilbride G74 1LJ Country **United Kingdom NUTS** code • UKM - Scotland

The contractor is an SME
Yes
V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor
Alison Briers Talking Autism
4 Heather Row
Carluke
ML8 5EG
Country
United Kingdom
NUTS code
UKM - Scotland
The contractor is an SME
Yes
V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor
AM Wellbeing CIC
25 Barrie Terrace
Ardrossan
KA22 8AZ
Country
United Kingdom
NUTS code

The contractor is an SME

Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Ardroy Outdoor Education Centre

Cairndow

Lochgoilhead

PA24 8AE

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

• UKM63 - Lochaber, Skye & Lochalsh, Arran & Cumbrae and Argyll & Bute

The contractor is an SME

Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Aspen Outdoors Ltd

24 Garrell Road, Kilsyth

North Lanarkshire

G65 9JX

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

• UKM84 - North Lanarkshire

The contractor is an SME

Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

v.2.3) Name and address of the contractor
Barnardo's
111 Oxgangs Road North
Edinburgh
EH14 1ED
Country
United Kingdom
NUTS code
UKM82 - Glasgow City
The contractor is an SME
No
V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor
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Be-inn Unity C.I.C 19 Springfield Gate East Kilbride G759QB Country United Kingdom NUTS code

Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Be-Outdoors Ltd t/a GoVenture
2 Barrs Road, Cardross
Dumbarton
G82 5PT
Telephone
+44 7830382717
Country
United Kingdom
NUTS code
UKM - Scotland
The contractor is an SME
Yes
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V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Castlemilk Youth Complex

39 Ardencraig Road, Castlemilk

Glasgow

G45 0EQ

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

• UKM82 - Glasgow City

The contractor is an SME

Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Change Mental Health

Suite 4/1 Great Michael House, 14 Links Place

Edinburgh

EH6 7EZ

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

• UKM - Scotland

The contractor is an SME

Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Compassionate Trauma Response Service Ltd

Glasgow
G42 9UE
Country
United Kingdom
NUTS code
UKM82 - Glasgow City
The contractor is an SME
Yes
V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor
CrossReach
Charis House, 47 Milton Road East
Edinburgh
EH15 2SR
Country
United Kingdom
NUTS code
UKM - Scotland
The contractor is an SME
No
V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor
Easthall Residents Association
The Glenburn Centre, 6 Glenburnie Place

4 Carmichael Place, Langside

Glasgow
G34 9AN
Country
United Kingdom
NUTS code
UKM82 - Glasgow City
The contractor is an SME
Yes
V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor
Eternal Balance LLP
clockwise offices , 77 Renfrew Street
Glasgow
G2 3BZ
Country
United Kingdom
NUTS code
UKM - Scotland
The contractor is an SME
Yes
V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor
FARE Scotland
Bannatyne House, 31 Drumlanrig Avenue
Glasgow

G34 0JF
Country
United Kingdom
NUTS code
UKM82 - Glasgow City
The contractor is an SME
Yes
V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor
Govan HELP
First Floor, The Pearce Institute, 840-860 Govan Road
Glasgow
G51 3UU
Country
United Kingdom
NUTS code
UKM82 - Glasgow City
The contractor is an SME
Yes
V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor
HeadStrong (Scotland) Limited
Baltic Chambers , 50 Wellington Street
Glasgow
G2 6HJ

Telephone
+44 7795155692
Country
United Kingdom
NUTS code
UK - United Kingdom
The contractor is an SME
Yes
V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor
Healing for the Heart
c/o Whiteinch Transformation, Barclay Curle House, 739 South St
Glasgow
G140BX
Country
United Kingdom
NUTS code
UKM82 - Glasgow City
The contractor is an SME
Yes
V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor
Impact Arts
105 Brunswick St
Glasgow

G1 1TF
Country
United Kingdom
NUTS code
UKM82 - Glasgow City
The contractor is an SME
Yes
V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor
Inscape Therapies Limited
6 Balmoral Drive, Balmoral Drive
Glasgow
G72 8BG
Country
United Kingdom
NUTS code
UKM95 - South Lanarkshire
The contractor is an SME
Yes
V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor
Kooth Digital Health Limited
5 Merchant Square
London
W2 1AY

Country
United Kingdom
NUTS code
UK - United Kingdom
The contractor is an SME
No
V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor
Le Grove Media & Training
4 Park Quad
Glasgow
g3 6bs
Country
United Kingdom
NUTS code
UKM82 - Glasgow City
The contractor is an SME
Yes
V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor
Leigh's Forest School and Outdoor Learning
45 Kersland Street
Glasgow
G12 8BS
Telephone

+44 7838044460 Country **United Kingdom NUTS** code • UKM82 - Glasgow City The contractor is an SME Yes V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor Lifelink Suite 4, Melisa House, 3 Brand Place Glasgow G51 1DR Country **United Kingdom NUTS** code • UK - United Kingdom The contractor is an SME Yes V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor **LOVE Group** City View, 6 Eagle Street Glasgow G4 9XA

Country
United Kingdom
NUTS code
UKM - Scotland
The contractor is an SME
Yes
V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor
Makaton Marvels and Creative Communications
11 Scott Crescent Greenfaulds, Cumbernauld
GLASGOW
G67 4lf
Country
United Kingdom
NUTS code
UK - United Kingdom
The contractor is an SME
Yes
V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor
Mindful Mentors Ltd
58 Elm Avenue, Renfrew
Renfrewshire
PA4 9AW

Country

United Kingdom NUTS code • UKM82 - Glasgow City The contractor is an SME Yes V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor Mind Marvels Franchise 50 Pegasus Avenue Carluke ML8 5TN Country **United Kingdom NUTS** code • UKM95 - South Lanarkshire The contractor is an SME Yes V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor Move On 52 St Enoch Square Glasgow G14AA Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

• UKM82 - Glasgow City

The contractor is an SME

Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

One Parent Families Scotland

2 York Place

Edinburgh

EH1 3EP

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

• UKM - Scotland

The contractor is an SME

Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Outlook Adventures Scotland Ltd

8 Ash Wynd, Cambuslang

Glasgow

G72 7ZD

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

• UKM95 - South Lanarkshire The contractor is an SME Yes V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor Penumbra Norton Park, 57 Albion Road Edinburgh EH7 5QY Telephone +44 1314752380 Country **United Kingdom** NUTS code • UK - United Kingdom The contractor is an SME No V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor Place2Be 175 St John Street London EC1V 4LW Country **United Kingdom**

NUTS code

• UK - United Kingdom

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Quarriers

Quarriers, Head Office

Bridge of Weir

PA11 3SX

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

• UK - United Kingdom

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Royston Youth Action

Royston Youth Action, 325 Royston Road

Glasgow

G21 2BS

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

UK - United Kingdom
The contractor is an SME
Yes
V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor
SAMH
Brunswick House, 51 Wilson Street
Glasgow
G1 1UZ
Country
United Kingdom
NUTS code
UKM82 - Glasgow City
The contractor is an SME
No
V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor
SU Scotland Gowanbank
Darvel
Darvel
KA17 0LL
Country
United Kingdom
NUTS code
UKM93 - East Ayrshire and North Ayrshire mainland

The contractor is an SME Yes V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor Spiral- Creative Arts Therapies 51 Cadogan Street, Floor 1 Glasgow G2 7HF Country **United Kingdom NUTS** code • UKM82 - Glasgow City The contractor is an SME Yes V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor Stepping Stones for Families Studio 3003a Mile End Mill, 12 Seedhill Road Paisley PA1 1JS Country **United Kingdom** NUTS code • UKM82 - Glasgow City

The contractor is an SME

Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

The Actual Reality Trust

Ardentinny Outdoor Education Centre, Ardentinny

Dunoon

PA23 8TR

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

• UK - United Kingdom

The contractor is an SME

Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

The Outward Bound Trust

Hackthorpe Hall, Hackthorpe

Penrith

CA10 2HX

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

• UK - United Kingdom

The contractor is an SME

Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Rangers Football Club

Ibrox Stadium, 150 Edmiston Drive

Glasgow

G51 2XD

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

• UK - United Kingdom

The contractor is an SME

Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Therapeutic Counselling Services Ltd

Suite G5 Grove House, 1 Kilmartin Place, Tannochside Park

Uddingston

G71 5PH

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

• UK - United Kingdom

The contractor is an SME

Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Salvesen Mindroom Centre
Suite 4/3 Great Michael House, 14 Links Place
Edinburgh
EH6 7EZ
Country
United Kingdom
NUTS code
UKM - Scotland
The contractor is an SME
Yes
V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor
The Spark
100 Wellington Streeet
Glasgow
G2 6DH
Country
United Kingdom
NUTS code
UKM - Scotland
The contractor is an SME
Yes
V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

The Volunteer Tutors Organisation

St Charles Primary School, 13 Kelvinside Gardens
Glasgow
G20 6BG
Country
United Kingdom
NUTS code
UKM - Scotland
The contractor is an SME
Yes
V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor
This is Milk
Suite 116-119, 50 Wellington St G2 6HJ
Glasgow
G2 6HJ
Country
United Kingdom
NUTS code
UKM82 - Glasgow City
The contractor is an SME
Yes
V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor
Totnosh

103 Main Street

Neilston
G78 3JS
Country
United Kingdom
NUTS code
UKM83 - Inverclyde, East Renfrewshire and Renfrewshire
The contractor is an SME
Yes
V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor
UTD Sports Limited
57 Belmont Rd, Cambuslang
GLASGOW
G72 8PG
Country
United Kingdom
NUTS code
UK - United Kingdom
The contractor is an SME
Yes
V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor
With Kids
15 Annfield Place, Dennistoun
Glasgow

Country
United Kingdom
NUTS code
UK - United Kingdom
The contractor is an SME
Yes
V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor
WorkingRite
1A Northinch Court
Glasgow
G14 0UG
Country
United Kingdom
NUTS code
UK - United Kingdom
The contractor is an SME
Yes
V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor
Youth Initiatives Scotland (SCIO)
6 Heys Street, Barrhead
GLASGOW
G78 2EN

G31 2XE

Country
United Kingdom
NUTS code
UK - United Kingdom
The contractor is an SME
Yes
V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor
Derek Wales Fitness
6 Ninian Avenue
Johnstone
PA6 7JF
Country
United Kingdom
NUTS code
UKM82 - Glasgow City
The contractor is an SME
Yes
V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor
Darcy's Equine Assisted Learning Centre CIC
12 Cladence Grove, East Kilbride
Glasgow
G75 0UP
Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

• UKM83 - Inverclyde, East Renfrewshire and Renfrewshire

The contractor is an SME

Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

The DRC Youth Project (SCIO)

9 Kelso Place, Yoker

Glasgow

G140LL

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

• UKM82 - Glasgow City

The contractor is an SME

Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Glasgow Cognitive Therapy Centre

Rothesay House, 134 Douglas Street

Glasgow

G2 4HF

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

• UKM82 - Glasgow City

The contractor is an SME

Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

The Empowerment Coach

38 Mansionhouse Road, Sandyhills

Glasgow

G32 8bb

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

• UK - United Kingdom

The contractor is an SME

Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Action for Children Services Ltd

3 The Boulevard (Company Registered Address), Ascot Road

Watford, Hertfordshire

WD18 8AG

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

• UKM - Scotland

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

The Wheel Trust

20 Lawrence Street

Glasgow

G11 5HG

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

• UKM82 - Glasgow City

The contractor is an SME

Yes

V.2.4) Information on value of contract/lot (excluding VAT)

Total value of the contract/lot: £20,000,000

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

Bidders must hold certificates for Quality Assurance and Environmental Management Standards or comply with all questions noted in SPD Section 4D. Bidders must note the implications FOI legislation and ensure that any info they wish the council to consider withholding is indicated. (NB the council does not bind itself to withhold this info). Tenderers Amendments - Bidders must enter any clause, condition, amendment to specification or any other qualification they may wish to make conditional to this offer within the Tenderers Amendment statement on PCS-T. Prompt Payment - The successful tenderer shall, as a condition of being awarded, be required to demonstrate to the council's satisfaction that all funds due permitted sub-contractors are paid timeously and as a minimum, invoices rendered by subcontractors shall be paid within 30 days of receipt. The successful tenderer shall also impose this condition on its sub-contractors in respect of payments due to any sub-sub-contractors. Bidders will be required to complete the prompt payment statement and Non-collusion statement within PCS-T. All successful bidders will be required to sign an Insurance Mandate - see attachment within PCS-T. If is not signed and returned the council reserves the right to request copies of certificates at any point during the framework period. The framework agreement is located within the buyers attachment area of PCS-T.

(SC Ref:775448)

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Glasgow Sheriff Court and Justice of the Peace Court

PO Box 23, 1 Carlton Place

Glasgow

G5 9DA

Email

glasgow@scotcourts.gov.uk

Country

United Kingdom

Internet address

https://www.scotcourts.gov.uk/the-courts/court-locations/glasgow-sheriff-court-and-justice-of-the-peace-court

VI.4.3) Review procedure

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

Glasgow City Council ("the Council") must, by notice in writing as soon as possible after the decision has been made, inform all tenderers and candidates concerned of its decision to conclude the framework agreement. The Council must allow a period of at least the relevant standstill period (where the notice is sent by facsimile or electronic means the period is 10 days ending at midnight at the end of the 10th day after that on which the last notice is sent, when sent by other means the period is 15 days) to elapse between the date of despatch of the notice referred to in Regulation 85(1) of the Public Contracts (Scotland) Regulations 2015 ("the Regulations"). The Council is obliged to comply with the Regulations and any eligible economic operator can bring an action in the Sheriff Court or the Court of Session where as a consequence of a breach by the Council, suffers or risks suffering loss or damage. The bringing of court proceedings during the standstill period means that the Council must not conclude the framework agreement unless the proceedings are determined, discontinued or disposed of; or the court, by interim order, brings to an end the prohibition. The bringing of court proceedings after the standstill period has elapsed and the remedies that are available to the courts are detailed in the Regulations. Economic Operators can write to the Council seeking further clarification on the notice, to which the Council must respond within 15 days. Economic Operators should be mindful to seek their own independent legal advice when they consider appropriate to do so.