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Planning

Thurrock Residential Care Homes for Children – Market Engagement

Thurrock Council

F01: Prior information notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

Thurrock Council

Grays

RM17 6SL

Contact

K Mason

Email

kmason@thurrock.gov.uk

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

UKH32 - Thurrock

Internet address(es)

Main address

www.thurrock.gov.uk

Buyer's address

<https://in-tendhost.co.uk/thurrockcouncil/asp/Home>

I.3) Communication

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Electronic communication requires the use of tools and devices that are not generally available. Unrestricted and full direct access to these tools and devices is possible, free of charge, at

<https://in-tendhost.co.uk/thurrockcouncil/asp/ProjectManage/1581>

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

Thurrock Residential Care Homes for Children – Market Engagement

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 85311000 - Social work services with accommodation

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Thurrock Council's Children's Services wants to partner with experienced providers to deliver high-quality, Ofsted-registered residential care homes for children in Thurrock. In support of this, we are holding a market engagement event to discuss the Council's need for homes for children close to Thurrock, potential block purchases, development of therapeutic homes and development of best practice. This event will provide an overview of our requirements and an opportunity for providers to collaborate with us to design an effective local approach. The event will be held on 14th October 2024, from 9:30am to 1:00pm at The Beehive in Thurrock. If you are interested in attending the engagement event and exploring this opportunity, please confirm your attendance through the In-Tend correspondence facility, including the names of those attending. Access In-Tend through the below link: <https://in-tendhost.co.uk/thurrockcouncil.aspx/ProjectManage/1581>

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 85311000 - Social work services with accommodation

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKH32 - Thurrock

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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- Provide an overview of Thurrock Council's current and future need for children's homes.
- Consider different models including block purchases and soft block purchase.
- Gather feedback from providers about how to work more effectively together.
- Consider how best to meet local needs and how therapeutic provision could contribute.
- Explore how we can work together to ensure the best outcomes for children in our care.

Thurrock Council is initially seeking providers who wish to develop a mutually beneficial partnership with Thurrock Council in order to meet the needs of local children who need residential care. If you are interested in attending the engagement event and exploring this opportunity, please confirm your attendance through the In-Tend correspondence facility, including the names of those attending. Access In-Tend through the below link: <https://in-tendhost.co.uk/thurrockcouncil/asp/ProjectManage/1581> We look forward to discussing how we can work together to support Thurrock's children in need of residential care. This notice is an initial market engagement exercise and does not constitute a commitment by Thurrock Council to any procurement or contractual arrangement at this stage.

II.2.14) Additional information

<https://in-tendhost.co.uk/thurrockcouncil/asp/ProjectManage/1581>

II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

3 September 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: No