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Tender

# Framework Agreement for the provision of Independent Professional Advocacy Services for Children and Young People

**Powys County Council** 

F21: Social and other specific services – public contracts

Contract notice

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# **Section I: Contracting authority**

## I.1) Name and addresses

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#### Country

**United Kingdom** 

**NUTS** code

UKL24 - Powys

Internet address(es)

Main address

www.powys.gov.uk

Buyer's address

https://www.sell2wales.gov.wales/search/Search\_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA0354

## I.3) Communication

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

https://etenderwales.bravosolution.co.uk/home.html

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

https://etenderwales.bravosolution.co.uk/home.html

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://etenderwales.bravosolution.co.uk/home.html

# I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Regional or local authority

# I.5) Main activity

Social protection

# **Section II: Object**

## II.1) Scope of the procurement

#### II.1.1) Title

Framework Agreement for the provision of Independent Professional Advocacy Services for Children and Young People

#### II.1.2) Main CPV code

85000000 - Health and social work services

#### II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

#### II.1.4) Short description

Powys County Council ("the Council"), who acting as Lead authority on behalf of the Mid and West Wales Region is seeking to engage with suitably qualified and experienced providers to tender for the Provision of Independent Professional Advocacy Services for Children and Young People.

A Framework Agreement for the provision of Independent Professional Advocacy Services for children and young people across the Mid and West Wales region is to be established. The Mid and West Wales region consists of Powys, Carmarthenshire, Ceredigion and Pembrokeshire. The appointed organisation(s) will deliver the service across the region as a whole.

The Service will be person-centred, issue-based and outcome-focussed in its service delivery. The Service will assist at reviews and conferences only when a child has a dispute over some significant matter (and when the child explicitly consents to advocacy support).

The Advocacy Service for Children and Young People has been split into 4 lots.

- Lot 1 Independent Professional Advocacy
- Lot 2 Independent Visiting Service
- Lot 3 Complaints in relation to the NHS Service
- Lot 4 Regional/Local Safeguarding Boards

Lots 1 & 2 are to be delivered together.

The duration of the Framework Agreement will be for 3 years with an option to extend for up to a further 1 year, at the Council's discretion.

The Council intends to let the framework agreement under Regulations 74 to 77 of the Public Contract Regulations 2015 Light Touch Regime.

#### II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £1,127,370

#### II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

### II.2) Description

#### II.2.1) Title

Lot 1 - Independent Professional Advocacy

Lot No

1

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

- 85311300 Welfare services for children and young people
- 85312300 Guidance and counselling services
- 85312320 Counselling services

#### II.2.3) Place of performance

**NUTS** codes

UKL24 - Powys

Main site or place of performance

Mid and West Wales Region

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

#### Lot 1 - Independent Professional Advocacy

#### 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) Description

#### II.2.1) Title

Lot 2 - Independent Visiting Service

Lot No

2

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

- 85311300 Welfare services for children and young people
- 85312300 Guidance and counselling services
- 85312320 Counselling services

#### II.2.3) Place of performance

**NUTS** codes

• UKL24 - Powys

Main site or place of performance

Mid and West Wales Region

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

Lot 2 - Independent Visiting Service

#### 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) Description

#### II.2.1) Title

#### Lot 3 - Complaints in relation to the NHS

Lot No

3

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

- 85311300 Welfare services for children and young people
- 85312300 Guidance and counselling services
- 85312320 Counselling services

#### II.2.3) Place of performance

**NUTS** codes

• UKL24 - Powys

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

Lot 3 - Complaints in relation to the NHS Service

## 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) Description

#### II.2.1) Title

Lot 4 - Support to Regional and Local Safeguarding Board

Lot No

4

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

- 85311300 Welfare services for children and young people
- 85312300 Guidance and counselling services
- 85312320 Counselling services

#### II.2.3) Place of performance

**NUTS** codes

• UKL24 - Powys

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

Lot 4 - Support to Regional and Local Safeguarding Board

#### 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 III. Legal, economic, financial and technical information

## III.1) Conditions for participation

#### III.1.4) Objective rules and criteria for participation

List and brief description of rules and criteria

As per the tender documentation

#### III.2) Conditions related to the contract

#### III.2.1) Information about a particular profession

Execution of the service is reserved to a particular profession

Reference to the relevant law, regulation or administrative provision

As per the tender documentation

#### III.2.2) Contract performance conditions

As per the tender documentation

## Section IV. Procedure

# **IV.1) Description**

#### IV.1.1) Form of procedure

Open procedure

## IV.1.3) Information about a framework agreement

The procurement involves the establishment of a framework agreement

#### IV.1.11) Main features of the award procedure

As per the Council's constitution

## IV.2) Administrative information

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

Date

15 December 2021

Local time

12:00pm

#### IV.2.4) Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted

English

# **Section VI. Complementary information**

## VI.2) Information about electronic workflows

Electronic ordering will be used

Electronic invoicing will be accepted

Electronic payment will be used

## VI.3) Additional information

Instructions for Suppliers – Registration on etenderwales

Powys County Council will be conducting this procurement exercise through the Value Wales e-Tendering portal. This can be found at <a href="https://www.etenderwales.bravosolution.co.uk">www.etenderwales.bravosolution.co.uk</a>, all information may be downloaded and returned through this channel.

Internet address(es): <a href="http://etenderwales.bravosolution.co.u">http://etenderwales.bravosolution.co.u</a>

Suppliers Instructions How to Express Interest in this Tender

- 1. Register your company on the eTenderwales portal (this is only required once)
- Browse to the eSourcing Portal: <u>www.etenderwales.bravosolution.co.uk</u>
- Click the "Click here to register" link
- Accept the terms and conditions and click "continue"
- Enter your correct business and user details
- Note the username you chose and click "Save" when complete
- You will shortly receive an email with your unique password (please keep this secure)
- 2. Express an Interest in the tender
- Login to the portal with the username/password
- Click the "Open Access ITTs" link.
- Click on the relevant ITT to access the content.

- Click the "Express Interest" button in the "Actions" box on the left-hand side of the page.
- This will move the ITT into your "My ITTs" page. (This is a secure area reserved for your projects only)
- Click on the ITT code, you can now access any attachments by clicking the "Settings and Buyer Attachments" in the "Actions" box
- 3. Responding to the tender
- You can now choose to "Reply" or "Reject" (please give a reason if rejecting)
- You can now use the 'Messages' function to communicate with the buyer and seek any clarification
- Note the deadline for completion, then follow the onscreen instructions to complete the ITT
- There may be a mixture of online & offline actions for you to perform (there is detailed online help available)

If you require any further assistance use the online help, or the BravoSolution help desk is available Mon – Fri (8am – 6pm) on:

- eMail: help@bravosolution.co.uk

- Phone: 0800 368 4850 / Fax: 020 7080 0480

Tenders or Requests to Participate must be sent to:

Official name: www.etenderwales.bravosolution.co.uk

NOTE: The authority is using eTenderwales to carry out this procurement process. To obtain further information record your interest on Sell2Wales at <a href="https://www.sell2wales.gov.wales/search/search\_switch.aspx?ID=115859">https://www.sell2wales.gov.wales/search/search\_switch.aspx?ID=115859</a>

(WA Ref:115859)

The buyer considers that this contract is suitable for consortia.

## VI.4) Procedures for review

#### VI.4.1) Review body

High Court

Royal Courts of Justice, The Strand

London

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