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Tender

Address Tracing and Mortality Screening – Member Data Services

The City of Edinburgh Council

F02: Contract notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

The City of Edinburgh Council

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Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

UKM75 - Edinburgh, City of

Internet address(es)

Main address

<http://www.edinburgh.gov.uk>

Buyer's address

https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA00290

I.3) Communication

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

<https://www.publictendersscotland.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/esop/pts-host/public/pts/web/login.html>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

<https://www.publictendersscotland.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/esop/pts-host/public/pts/web/login.html>

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

Address Tracing and Mortality Screening – Member Data Services

Reference number

CT1243

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 66141000 - Pension fund management services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

The Lothian Pension Fund require a range of Member Data Services to assist the with effective administration of their funds.

The two services required are address tracing and mortality screening this allows the Lothian Pension Fund to update member records with the member's correct address and to check the existence of members thus avoiding overpayment of benefits where pensioner members have deceased or alerting the Fund where deferred beneficiaries have died and a benefit may be payable.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £125,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 66131100 - Pension investment services

- 66141000 - Pension fund management services
- 66520000 - Pension services
- 72416000 - Application service providers

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKM75 - Edinburgh, City of

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The City of Edinburgh Council is acting on behalf of Lothian Pension Fund (“LPF”) in the execution of this Tender, but will not be party to the contract or the management of the contract through its lifetime.

LPF is the organisation responsible for administering the Local Government Pension Scheme in the Lothian area. Lothian Pension Fund administers the Local Government Pension Scheme (LGPS) in Edinburgh and the Lothians. LPF require a supplier to conduct Mortality Screening on all Lothian Pension Fund's pensioner and deferred members and to conduct address tracing on all untraced deferred members. This will be a recurring requirement, however through time the requirement may reduce.

The requirement is needed to improve the accuracy of member records in accordance with the Pensions Regulator's legislation on record keeping. In addition to improving their records, the service will improve the effectiveness of the communication between Lothian Pension Fund and its members, alerting members timeously with information about elections or choices they are required to make in relation to their benefits that may affect their rights under the scheme.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 70

Price - Weighting: 30

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

Start date

27 November 2023

End date

26 September 2028

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

The contract period will be for an initial 2 year period with the option to extend for a further 3 x12 month periods.

II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: No

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 III. Legal, economic, financial and technical information

III.1) Conditions for participation

III.1.2) Economic and financial standing

List and brief description of selection criteria

Economic and financial standing Question 4B.1 Turnover

Economic and financial standing Question 4B.4 Ratios

Economic and financial standing Question 4B.5 Insurance

Minimum level(s) of standards possibly required

Economic and financial standing Question 4B.1 Turnover

Tenderers are required to have a minimum “general” annual turnover of GBP50,000 for the last two financial years. Where a Tenderer does not have an annual turnover of this

value, the Council may exclude the Tenderer from the competition or may apply discretion seeking supporting evidence to determine the Tenderer's suitability to proceed in the competition.

Economic and financial standing Question 4B.4 Ratios

Tenderers will be required provide the following information in response to 4B.4:

Current ratio for Current Year: 1:1.15

Current ratio for Prior Year: 1:1.15

The formula for calculating a Tenderer's current ratio is current assets divided by current liabilities. The acceptable range for each financial ratio is greater than 1:1.5. Where a Tenderer's current ratio is less than the acceptable value, the Council may exclude the Tenderer from the competition or may apply discretion seeking supporting evidence to determine the Tenderer's suitability to proceed in the competition.

Economic and financial standing Question 4B.5 Insurance

Employer's liability to at least to the level required by law

Public liability to GBP5,000,000 in respect of any one claim; no annual or total cap

Cyber Liability to GBP1,000,000 in respect of any one claim; no annual or total cap

III.1.3) Technical and professional ability

List and brief description of selection criteria

Technical And Professional Ability 4C.1.2 Previous experience

Technical And Professional Ability 4C.4 Prompt Payment

Qualifications 4c.6 & 6.1 NCSC Cloud security

Minimum level(s) of standards possibly required

Technical And Professional Ability 4C.1.2 Previous experience

Please provide relevant examples of services carried out during the last three years as specified in the Contract Notice:

Tenderers are required to provide 2 examples of services carried out within the past three

(3) years that demonstrate that they have the relevant experience to deliver services similar in scope, scale and duration to that described in the ITT and Tracing and Mortality Screening Procurement Specification document. Tenderers who fail to provide relevant examples of delivering similar services may be assessed as a FAIL and excluded from the procurement process.

Please download and complete the 'SPD Part 4C previous experience template'.

Technical And Professional Ability 4C.4 Prompt Payment

It is a mandatory requirement of this Contract that a prompt payment clause is present in all Contracts used in the delivery of the requirements. This ensures payment of subcontractors at all stages of the supply chain within 30 days and includes an obligation to provide a point of contact for subcontractors to refer to in the case of payment difficulties. This will require active monitoring of payment performance as well as the provision of evidence and reports to the Council on request or as contractually scheduled. Bidders should confirm that this condition will be met within the response to this question.

Qualifications 4c.6 & 6.1 NCSC Cloud security

The following educational and professional qualifications are held by the organisation itself:

The proposed solution must be accessed through a web browser and meet at least the NCSC Cloud security guidance.

See:

<https://www.ncsc.gov.uk/collection/cloudsecurity/implementingthecloudsecurityprinciples>

The supplier should be able to demonstrate they have in place the following:

Primary and backup hosting environments with SOC 2 type II accreditation

Business Continuity and disaster recovery plans

Annual penetration testing of the hosting environment

Change Management process

Patching and update plans/procedures

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Open procedure

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

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

English

IV.2.6) Minimum time frame during which the tenderer must maintain the tender

Duration in months: 4 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)

IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders

Date

3 November 2023

Local time

2:00pm

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: No

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

The City of Edinburgh Council are procuring this on behalf of Lothian Pension Fund.

The buyer is using PCS-Tender to conduct this ITT exercise. The Project code is 25307.
For more information see:

<http://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/info/InfoCentre.aspx?ID=2343>

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VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Sheriff Court

Sheriff Court House, 27 Chambers Street

Edinburgh

EH1 1LB

Country

United Kingdom

VI.4.3) Review procedure

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures:

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