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Planning

## **Market Engagement for Provision of Voluntary Organisations in Slough and Advice and Information:**

Slough Borough Council

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### **Section I: Contracting authority**

#### **I.1) Name and addresses**

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#### **NUTS code**

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Main address

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**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

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## Section II: Object

### II.1) Scope of the procurement

#### II.1.1) Title

Market Engagement for Provision of Voluntary Organisations in Slough and Advice and Information:

#### II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 85000000 - Health and social work services

#### II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

#### II.1.4) Short description

Slough Borough Council will be shortly seeking tenders from suitably experienced providers for the provision of preventative services delivered through Voluntary Organisations for adults and young people in Slough. Slough Borough Council are seeking one Lead Provider to take on the co-ordination, and capacity building of the volunteer offer in Slough Borough. The provider will work closely with Slough's front line services, residents and community leaders to develop and manage a market of voluntary organisations and cohort of volunteers that will support the needs of the area. We will be holding a virtual market engagement event via MS Teams on Tuesday 8th November 2022 from 10:30 to 12:30 pm. Please contact [Diana.Balsom@slough.gov.uk](mailto:Diana.Balsom@slough.gov.uk) to register your attendance and receive booking confirmation and log in details. This will inform on numbers to ensure it is a viable event. The aim of the day is to Outline the needs of the Borough and Talk through the upcoming tender opportunity

#### II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £2,641,255

#### II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

### II.2) Description

#### II.2.1) Title

Lot 1 - a) Infrastructure and Capacity Building support for Voluntary Organisations in

Slough b) volunteer recruitment and training

Lot No

1

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

- 98000000 - Other community, social and personal services

### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

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

The Council recognises the preventative value of services delivered through Voluntary Organisations for people in Slough. We also recognise the need to provide excellent infrastructure and capacity building services to facilitate development – not just for existing groups but for those wishing to set up and make a difference in their community. This includes the recruitment and retention of trained volunteers to support both ongoing activities, as well as being able to respond to new need in a responsive and supported way. We will be shortly seeking tenders from suitably experienced providers to facilitate the further development of local voluntary and community groups in Slough. The provider will work collaboratively with Slough's front line services, residents and community leaders to develop and promote a market of voluntary organisations and cohort of volunteers that will support the needs of the area. The provisional scope includes:

- The development of a universally accessible Directory of Services
- The development of an up-to-date and well-promoted volunteer matching service
- Oversight and administration of the Slough Community fund
- Co-location of staff within statutory services to prevent people entering services unnecessarily

### **II.2.14) Additional information**

The provisional scope of voluntary services includes but is not limited to: Young carer's support, Youth services, Vulnerable families support, Isolation and loneliness reduction, Transport, Immigration and Asylum seeking, Supporting Social Care services.

## **II.2) Description**

### **II.2.1) Title**

Lot 2 - Advice and Information

Lot No

2

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

- 85000000 - Health and social work services

### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

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

The provision of timely Advice and Information is an essential component to support independent living and its provision is underpinned by The Care Act 2014. We will be shortly seeking tenders from suitably experienced providers to ensure the people of Slough have easy access to accurate advice in a range of settings, both online and in person, covering a range of issues, delivered by appropriately trained and experienced employees and volunteers. The interventions may include casework as appropriate. The provisional scope includes:

- Income maximisation and benefit information
- Cost of living
- Relationships

### **II.2.14) Additional information**

This market engagement event does not represent a formal commitment by the Council to undertake a procurement procedure. However, please note that following this market engagement event, Slough Borough Council may wish to go out to the market on the SE Shared e-sourcing portal <https://www.sesharedservices.org.uk>

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

21 October 2022

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## **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