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Planning

HCC Oct 2023 – PPME for Advocacy Services for Adults in Hertfordshire

Hertfordshire County Council

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Prior information only

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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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

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

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II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 85300000 - Social work and related services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Hertfordshire County Council (the 'Council') is carrying out Pre-Procurement Market Engagement ('PPME') in relation to Advocacy Services for Adults in Hertfordshire. The Council will consider the feedback received to help inform the Council's options and further decision making. For the avoidance of doubt, this stage of the project is not part of a formal procurement process and the Council is not committing, at this stage, to carrying out such a process. Participation or non-participation in the PPME shall not prevent any supplier participating in a potential future procurement, nor is it intended that any information supplied as part of the PPME shall place any supplier at an advantage in a potential procurement process. Participation in the PPME will be at each organisation's own cost. No expense in responding to this PPME will be reimbursed by the Council.

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKH23 - Hertfordshire

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Hertfordshire County Council is carrying out Pre Procurement Market Engagement for Advocacy Services for Adults in Hertfordshire. The Council commissions independent advocacy services to ensure that our most vulnerable citizens can have their voices heard in conversations about their care and support and to promote individual choice and control in decisions that will affect their future. The current contracts finish in June 2024 and the Council is reviewing the advocacy services available to the citizens of Hertfordshire to inform future arrangements. As part of this we are speaking to the people of Hertfordshire as well as professionals across health and social care. We also want to hear from providers of advocacy services to help inform the service delivery model and to understand your perspective of the challenges and opportunities for the service. Further details are in the PPME document.

II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

11 October 2023

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: Yes

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

To access the PPME documentation please visit www.supplyhertfordshire.uk and follow the on-screen guidance. To participate in this PPME, organisations must submit their completed Supplier Questionnaire, together with any supporting documents, through the In-Tend system by the return deadline of 12.00 Noon on Tuesday 31st October 2023. Please make sure that you have submitted your Supplier Questionnaire following the instructions above. The Council will not be held accountable for any errors made by an organisation in submitting their Supplier Questionnaire. In addition, there is the option for organisations to attend an Industry Open Day on Friday 20th October 2023; this will take place as a Teams meeting. Please note that attendance requests for the Industry Open Day Teams meeting must be received by midday on Thursday 19th October 2023 by emailing anne.fergus@hertfordshire.gov.uk and the invitation link will be sent to you. If you are experiencing problems In-Tend offer a help section which includes a dedicated UK support desk which can be contacted via email: support@in-tend.co.uk or Telephone: +44 1144070065 for any website/technical questions, Monday to Friday, 8:30-17:00.