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Planning

Integrated Community Equipment Loan Service, for Essex County Council & Partners

Essex County Council

F01: Prior information notice

Prior information only

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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Main address

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Buyer's address

<https://www.essex.gov.uk/>

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**

Integrated Community Equipment Loan Service, for Essex County Council & Partners

Reference number

DN635614

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 85000000 - Health and social work services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Provision of community equipment, by way of an Integrated Community Equipment Loan Service (ICELS), to people of all ages and needs across Essex, providing such items as commodes, beds, shower chairs and hoists, as well as adaptations such as grab rails and chair raisers.

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II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £125,000,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 85000000 - Health and social work services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKH3 - Essex

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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The ICELS complements other Council services such as reablement and domiciliary care support, with the aim of promoting independence and to enable people to gain, regain and maintain skills, as well as helping prevent hospital admissions. There is a sustained increase in demand for faster delivery of community equipment to support the Home First ambition and the Discharge to Assess pathways. Essex County Council are looking to procure a streamlined, cost-effective, efficient, and responsive community equipment service for Essex, which aims to deliver social value and climate action as a fundamental part of the service and will bring the service in line with the requirements of today's health and care system.

The new ICELS contract to which this tender relates is due to be mobilised and operational for 1st July 2023.

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For a copy of the Service Specification, published prior to the commencement of the formal tender process, please contact: BARRY.MESSENGER@ESSEX.GOV.UK

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II.2.6) Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: £125,000,000

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

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

Option for extension of contract up to 24 months

II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

11 November 2022

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

Essex County Council will be the sole contracting party, with partners accessing the Services for Essex residents via Council's contract.

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