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## **BISS – Buckinghamshire Integrated Sensory Service**

Buckinghamshire Council

F02: Contract notice

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

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

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United Kingdom

**NUTS code**

UKJ13 - Buckinghamshire CC

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

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

Buyer's address

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

**I.3) Communication**

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

<https://www.supplybucksbusiness.org.uk/>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

<https://www.supplybucksbusiness.org.uk/>

**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**

## BISS – Buckinghamshire Integrated Sensory Service

Reference number

DN574806

### **II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 85320000 - Social services

### **II.1.3) Type of contract**

Services

### **II.1.4) Short description**

The sensory service provides for adult, children and young people. The children and young people service must be available to under 18 year olds or under 25 years with Special Educational Needs statement, living in Buckinghamshire with a sensory loss, visual, hearing or dual diagnosis.

The Service must meet the statutory requirements placed on local authorities to provide:

- Specialist assessment and support planning
- Equipment assessment and provision
- Registration of sensory loss
- Information and Advice
- Enablement services to individuals with hearing, visual and dual sensory disabilities and parents and carers of children who have a sensory disability.

The successful provider must understand the principle legislation and statutory requirements relating to the provision of services. The provider must keep up to date on related judgements and consultations and their implications to the service.

The authority is looking to let a contract for an initial 3 year term, with the option to extend for a further two 12 months periods.

The authority is of the opinion that TUPE will apply to this procurement.

Potential providers should note that there is a budget cap of £294,725 per annum for the

provision of an Integrated Sensory Service in Buckinghamshire, with £173,888 indicated for the Adults' service and £120,837 for the Children & Young People's service.

Please note: any bid that exceeds the budget cap for any one year or for the total contract period will be disqualified.

This equates to £884,175 for Service for the three-year contract period, with £521,664 for Adults' service and £362,511 for the Children & Young People's service. Bids will be evaluated and scored on the basis of the most economically advantageous tender, where quality will make up 60% of score and price will make up 40% of the score.

The council is mindful that the service requirements may vary over time and would seek to modify the contract if this should occur.

Changes to the contract sum would be negotiated with the appointed contractor based on the costing submitted in the tender.

If your organisation wishes to participate in this process, you need to register with the Buckinghamshire Business Portal. You will be unable to take part if you do not register. Please use the link below and follow the instructions on the website:

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#### **II.1.6) Information about lots**

This contract is divided into lots: No

### **II.2) Description**

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

- 85320000 - Social services

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

NUTS codes

- UKJ13 - Buckinghamshire CC

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

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#### **II.2.5) Award criteria**

Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

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

Duration in months

36

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

The authority is looking to let a contract for an initial 3 year term, with the option to extend for a further two 12 months 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

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

### **III.1) Conditions for participation**

#### **III.1.2) Economic and financial standing**

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

#### **III.1.3) Technical and professional ability**

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

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## **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**

Date

28 January 2022

Local time

12:00pm

#### **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: 6 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)

#### **IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders**

Date

28 January 2022

Local time

12:00pm



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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.1) Information about recurrence**

This is a recurrent procurement: Yes

### **VI.4) Procedures for review**

#### **VI.4.1) Review body**

Buckinghamshire Council

The Gateway, Gatehouse Rd

Aylesbury

HP19 8FF

Email

[procurement@buckinghamshire.gov.uk](mailto:procurement@buckinghamshire.gov.uk)

Country

United Kingdom

#### **VI.4.3) Review procedure**

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

The Council will incorporate a standstill period at the point when information on the award of

the contract is communicated to tenderers. The standstill period will be for a minimum of 10

calendar days and provides time for unsuccessful tenderers to challenge the award decision

before the contract is entered into. The Public Contracts Regulations 2015, provide for the aggrieved parties who have been harmed or are at risk of harm by a breach of the rules to take action in the High Court (England, Wales and Northern Ireland).

