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## **IA3213 Staffordshire Children and Young People's Flexible Framework Reopening 2024**

Staffordshire County Council

F21: Social and other specific services – public contracts

Contract notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-0419ff

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

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

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#### **Country**

United Kingdom

**Region code**

UKG24 - Staffordshire CC

**Justification for not providing organisation identifier**

Not on any register

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://www.staffordshire.gov.uk/Homepage.aspx>

Buyer's address

<https://supplierlive.proactisp2p.com/Account/Login>

**I.3) Communication**

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

<https://supplierlive.proactisp2p.com/Account/Login>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

<https://supplierlive.proactisp2p.com/Account/Login>

**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**

IA3213 Staffordshire Children and Young People's Flexible Framework Reopening 2024

Reference number

IA3213

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

- 80000000 - Education and training services

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

Services

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

In February 2024 Staffordshire County Council procured the Staffordshire Children and Young People's Flexible Framework (ref IA3213). The purpose of the Framework is to deliver support to Children and Young People in their Education Settings and in their communities, throughout the eight districts of Staffordshire.

The Framework includes three Lots;

Lot 1. Targeted Intervention Programmes

Lot 2. Skill Development

Lot 3. Specialist Support

The Framework provision will predominantly support Children and Young People who need agreed specific support to engage positively with education, either individually or in groups. However, some provision will be targeted to support the Education Settings, Parents/ Carers and Families in their support of Children and Young People.

The Framework will host a range of quality assured Services which will be available for the Council to Call-off as and when required (there is no guarantee as to the business on offer). A high volume of the support required will be for Children and Young People who are known to their SEND & Inclusion Hubs. This support will be pre-determined by the Referrer/Funder of the Service at the Call-off stage.

As stated in the original Framework tender documents the Framework may be re-opened from time to time to increase capacity. As this procurement is for a 'Flexible Framework Agreement' which will be commissioned under the Light Touch Regime (implemented through Regulations 74-77 of the Public Contract Regulations 2015).

This re-opening tender opportunity is to allow prospective Providers to join the Framework. The whole Framework will be opened, the Council is particularly looking to increase capacity in South Staffordshire and East Staffordshire (specifically Uttoxeter) for all Lots, and in Lot 1 for Providers of creative therapies.

Interested Suppliers should register on the Council's e-tendering system <https://supplierlive.proactisp2p.com/Account/Login> to view the tender documents.

### **II.1.5) Estimated total value**

Value excluding VAT: £6,000,000

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

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

Tenders may be submitted for all lots

## **II.2) Description**

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

Targeted Intervention Programmes

Lot No

1

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

- 80000000 - Education and training services
- 85000000 - Health and social work services

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

NUTS codes

- UKG24 - Staffordshire CC

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

Targeted Intervention Programmes will be bespoke Support Packages for Children, Young People and their Families.

Programmes could be delivered through workshops, 1:1 sessions/ programmes, training, mentoring/ coaching or group work.

Support Packages will offer the Child, Young Person or Service Users strategies to support them to understand and adapt in their environment. A non-judgemental environment in which the individual is given the opportunity to reflect on their current situation, which opens the door to early intervention, will be adopted.

These programmes will be tailored based on the needs and aspirations of the Service User; this could include (but is not limited to):

- Building relationships, with friends, Family and peers.
- Emotional regulation/ resilience.
- Supporting transition.
- Improving self-esteem.
- Support around the Family, e.g. coping with parental separation.
- Behaviour support, e.g. anti-knife crime and gang affiliation.
- Trauma based programmes.
- Parenting support.
- Bereavement and loss support.
- Alternative support e.g. art, play, music including those identified as creative therapies.
- Self-development and independence.
- Inclusion programmes.

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

The Framework Agreement commenced on 1 September 2024 and, subject to earlier termination in accordance with its terms, will continue until midnight on 31 August 2028. At the Authority's entire discretion, the term may be extended on the same terms for such

period(s) in accordance with the Framework Agreement. It is anticipated that Providers successfully awarded on to this Framework at this opening of the Framework will join the Framework from 10 February 2025 (but this may be subject to change).

## **II.2) Description**

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

Skill Development

Lot No

2

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

- 80000000 - Education and training services
- 85000000 - Health and social work services

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

NUTS codes

- UKG24 - Staffordshire CC

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

When Children and Young People have access to Skill Development opportunities it can:

- Avoid further suspensions and exclusions at School.
- Support to maintain a full timetable at School.
- Support to transition to a full timetable at School.
- Support to move to an appropriate alternative setting.
- Support with the skills required for post-16 education.

Skill Development will be bespoke Support Packages for Children, Young People and their Families. Skill Development can be both educational or vocational and can include (but is not limited to):

- College provision.

- Physical activity e.g. - boxing, football, indoor climbing.
- Skill Development activities e.g. - cooking, baking, social skills, music, art.
- Employment skills e.g. - volunteering and work-based opportunities.
- Training and education e.g. nationally recognised qualifications.
- Primary and secondary education
- Tuition - face to face, or online.

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## **II.2) Description**

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

Specialist Support

Lot No

3

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

- 80000000 - Education and training services
- 85000000 - Health and social work services

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

NUTS codes

- UKG24 - Staffordshire CC

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

Specialist Support can vary depending on the expertise required, but will provide Children,

Young People, Education Settings and Service Users with assessment, knowledge and new skills.

Tailored Support Packages will be required for individual Children and Young People, groups of Children and Young People and Families, and Education Settings.

Specialist Support can include (but is not limited to):

- Speech and Language Therapy/ Training
- Occupational Health Therapy
- Mental health and emotional wellbeing support/ training
- Mental health first aid
- Training for Special Educational Needs Coordinators (SENCO's), teachers or whole school in SEND e.g. in SEMH or ASD/C.
- Outreach/ classroom support - advising and supporting teachers e.g. adapting the curriculum content and delivery, class based learning interventions and meeting diverse learning needs.

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

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

#### **III.1.4) Objective rules and criteria for participation**

List and brief description of rules and criteria

Criteria as stated in the tender documents.

### **III.2) Conditions related to the contract**

#### **III.2.2) Contract performance conditions**

Criteria as stated in the tender documents.

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## **Section IV. Procedure**

### **IV.1) Description**

#### **IV.1.1) Form of procedure**

Open procedure

#### **IV.1.3) Information about a framework agreement**

The procurement involves the establishment of a framework agreement

#### **IV.1.11) Main features of the award procedure**

Price - 50%

Quality - 50%

Quality sub-criteria:

Generic questions:

- Managing Relationships 8%

- Quality 7%

- Safeguarding 5%

- Social Value 5%

Lot Specific questions - Effective Service Delivery 25%

## **IV.2) Administrative information**

### **IV.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure**

Notice number: [2023/S 000-033765](#)

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

Date

4 November 2024

Local time

12:00pm

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

English

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.2) Information about electronic workflows**

Electronic ordering will be used

Electronic invoicing will be accepted

Electronic payment will be used

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

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

Staffordshire County Council

Staffordshire Place 2, Tipping Street

Stafford

ST16 2DH

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Country

United Kingdom

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

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

The Contracting Authority will incorporate a minimum 10 calendar day standstill period at the point that an award decision notice is communicated to tenderers. The award decision process will specify the criteria for the award of the framework contract, the reason for the decision, including the characteristics and relative advantages, the name and score of the successful tender(s), and will specify when the standstill period is expected to end or the

date before which the Contracting Authority will not conclude the framework contract. If an appeal regarding the award of contract has not been successfully resolved, the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 provide for aggrieved parties who have been harmed or are at risk of a breach of the rules to take action in the High Court (England, Wales and Northern Ireland). Any such action must be brought promptly (generally within 3 months). The Court may order the setting aside of the award decision or may order the Contracting Authority to amend any document and may award damages. If an agreement has been entered into the Court may make a declaration of ineffectiveness or may order that the duration of any relevant specific contract be shortened and additionally may award damages. The time limit for seeking such a declaration is generally 30 days from notification of the award (either by award decision notification or contract award notice depending upon the circumstances) or otherwise 6 months.