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## **Development and Collaboration Support Services to Blackpool's Business and Community Sectors**

Blackpool Council

F02: Contract notice

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

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

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**Region code**

UKD42 - Blackpool

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<http://www.blackpool.gov.uk/>

Buyer's address

<http://www.blackpool.gov.uk/>

**I.3) Communication**

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

<https://procontract.due-north.com/ProjectManagement/ProjectDashboard?projectId=51221928-cd56-ed11-811a-005056b64545>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

<https://procontract.due-north.com>

**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**

Development and Collaboration Support Services to Blackpool's Business and Community Sectors

Reference number

DN640280

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

- 75130000 - Supporting services for the government

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

Services

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

Please note that this contract cannot be award until funding has been confirmed.

It has been determined that there is a need to support business directly and facilitate the co-ordination of offers of support from local businesses and the requirements of the community to ensure that any support offered is used in the most efficient and effective manner.

Blackpool Council is looking to appoint a lead organisation / lead organisation with sub partners who will provide as a minimum the following activities:-

? Work with Blackpool Council to bring forward an Employment Charter and support the rolling out of the initiative to Blackpool businesses;

? Act as an advocate for Blackpool and its development amongst businesses and residents including activity to promote the town to visitors, for example through events;

? Provide activity to support and encourage the use and development of existing community buildings and infrastructure and its enhancement for example through additional green space. This would be facilitated by co-ordinated business level input and expertise;

? Provision of activity to develop life skills either directly or through a delivery partner, to

those who are disadvantaged across Blackpool, and upskill local residents, either directly or through a delivery partner, to provide localised digital support and advice in key community spaces;

? Support and enhance existing local activity that looks to bring those furthest from the labour market in to access opportunities to secure work experience and placements;

? Provide activity that will support and facilitate innovation and growth for business start-ups. It is anticipated this would be undertaken alongside the Council's existing Economic Development Team making use of its existing and proposed new facilities.

? Provide networking opportunities for local businesses to share knowledge, expertise and resources, and work collaboratively to boost productivity, innovation and growth;

? Co-ordinate and support activity including that above so to deliver the specified Shared Prosperity Fund outputs and outcomes as details in Annex A.

#### Shared Prosperity Fund (UKSPF)

The UK Shared Prosperity Fund (UKSPF) was released on the 2 February 2022.

The Investment Plan for the UKSPF is due to be confirmed mid-November over a three financial year period – 2022/23 to 2024/25, with all interventions due to end by March 2025.

Blackpool Council UKSPF submission was submitted early August 2022 with an approval expected mid-November 2022 it is important that bidders note the decision date, contract award is subject to successful allocation of grant funding.

Blackpool Council wishes to appoint a Contractor/s who can clearly demonstrate the ability to meet our requirements and who offers the most economically advantageous tender within the budget allocated. It is anticipated that the contract term will be from January 2023 to end March 2025 at the latest.

The successful applicant will be required to enter into a Grant Agreement with Blackpool Council which will include all requirements to meet with the funder's requirements and those of the accountable body, Blackpool Council. Please see tender documents for full details.

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

This contract is divided into lots: No

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

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

NUTS codes

- UKD42 - Blackpool

Main site or place of performance

Blackpool

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

There is a need to support business directly & facilitate the co-ordination of offers of support from local businesses and the requirements of the community to ensure that any support offered is used in the most efficient & effective manner. Blackpool Council (BC) wishes to appoint a Contractor/s who can clearly demonstrate the ability to meet our requirements & who offers the most economically advantageous tender within the budget allocated. Anticipated contract term is from Jan 2023 to end March 2025 at the latest.

Shared Prosperity Fund (UKSPF)

BC UKSPF submission was submitted early August 2022 approval is expected mid-November 2022. IMPORTANT Bidders note the decision date, contract award is subject to successful allocation of grant funding. The Investment Plan for the UKSPF when confirmed is over a 3 financial year period, 2022/23 to 2024/25, all interventions due to end by March 2025.

The successful applicant will be required to enter into a Grant Agreement with BC which will include all requirements to meet with the funder's requirements & those of the accountable body, Blackpool Council. Please see tender documents for full details.

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

Quality criterion - Name: Social Value / Weighting: 20%

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 70%

Price - Weighting: 10%

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

End date

31 March 2025

This contract is subject to renewal

No

**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

**II.2.14) Additional information**

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**\*\*IMPORTANT\*\***

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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

9 December 2022

Local time

12:00pm

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

English

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

Date

9 December 2022

Local time

12:00pm

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

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

This is a recurrent procurement: No

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

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

High Court Justice England and Wales

London

Country

United Kingdom