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Contract

## **Suicide Bereavement Services**

NHS Derby and Derbyshire ICB

F03: Contract award notice

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

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

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Main address

<https://joinedupcarederbyshire.co.uk/derbyshire-integrated-care-board/>

**I.4) Type of the contracting authority**

Regional or local authority

**I.5) Main activity**

Health

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**Section II: Object****II.1) Scope of the procurement****II.1.1) Title**

Suicide Bereavement Services

**II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 85100000 - Health services

**II.1.3) Type of contract**

Services

## II.1.4) Short description

This is a Provider Selection Regime (PSR) intention to award notice. The awarding of this contract is subject to the Health Care Services (Provider Selection Regime) Regulations 2023. For the avoidance of doubt, the provisions of the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 do not apply to this award. The publication of this notice marks the start of the standstill period. Representations by providers must be made by 2 May 2024. This contract has not yet formally been awarded; this notice serves as an intention to award under the PSR.

Representations should be sent: [ddicb.lcsf@nhs.net](mailto:ddicb.lcsf@nhs.net)

Award Decision Makers:

Commissioning & Procurement Assurance Group (DDICB),

Adult Mental Health Commissioning Team (DDICB),

DDICB Chief Strategy and Delivery Officer/Deputy CEO

DDICB Executive Team

Derbyshire County Council Public Health Lead for Mental Health and Suicide Prevention

Conflicts of Interest: Nil identified by the Decision Makers and evidenced within the minutes of meetings held.

Key criteria was assessed and included Quality, Innovation, Value, Integration, Collaboration, Improving access, reducing health inequalities and facilitating choice, Social value. The providers are considered as having continued ability to meet the basic award criteria: Suitability to pursue a particular activity, Economic and financial standing and Technical and professional ability.

Description of the Service

The aim of the service is to support those bereaved by suicide to face the immediate, acute, disorientating, and painful experience of the first weeks and months after a suicide. The service also aims to support communities bereaved by suicide in partnership with local agencies and community groups. The delivery of this service will be based on the core standards and good practice model developed by SASP (Support After Suicide Partnership).

The service will focus on evaluation, iteration and learning from the interventions. This will be key to ensuring that the service is effective, person-centred, and responsive to service users' needs, whilst also contributing to the evidence-base and informing the development of future provision.

Aim:

- To improve wellbeing
- To provide clinically appropriate evidence based and relevant therapies/approaches as recommended by NICE clinical guidelines to the defined target population.
- Access to the service will be equitable across Derby and Derbyshire
- The service will be safe and effective, delivered by appropriately trained staff.
- Practitioners within the service will receive clinical supervision from clinicians with appropriate expertise and experience.
- The service will work together with all appropriate agencies involved in addressing psychological and practical needs.
- The service will ensure equity of access and respond appropriately to the diversity of local need.
- The service will be coproduced with people with lived experience.
- The service will be proactive in raising awareness of the support it provides.
- The service will ensure all those referred are contacted within 72 hrs (or less) of the death.
- The service will ensure all those referred Receive a copy of the 'Help is at Hand' document, or another resource agreed with commissioners.
- Conduct a follow-up assessment of support needs, enacting these accordingly.
- Offer face to face support in community locations that are acceptable to the clients, are available across Derby and Derbyshire and remove any barriers to access the service.
- Provide support and guidance through the Coroner's Inquest
- Signpost to GP or mental health services if the bereaved person is identified as experiencing severe depression and/or is at risk of suicide.
- Perform social auditing to identify other people who may be affected by the suicide e.g. school mates, work colleagues, neighbours.
- Support those bereaved by suicide at key dates e.g. anniversary of death, birthday, Christmas.

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

This contract is divided into lots: No

### **II.1.7) Total value of the procurement (excluding VAT)**

Value excluding VAT: £405,000

## **II.2) Description**

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

NUTS codes

- UKF - East Midlands (England)

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

DDICB are intending to follow MSP process to award a contract for this service.

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The service will focus on evaluation, iteration and learning from the interventions. This will be key to ensuring that the service is effective, person-centred, and responsive to service users' needs, whilst also contributing to the evidence-base and informing the development of future provision.

Aim:

- To improve wellbeing
- The service will offer and provide clinically appropriate evidence based and relevant therapies/approaches as recommended by the needs of the population and by NICE clinical guidelines to the defined target population, establishing the immediate support needs of the bereaved, enacting a plan for support, drawing on existing services/referral pathways.
- Access to the service will be equitable across Derby and Derbyshire
- The service will be safe and effective, delivered by appropriately trained staff, and where

possible, professionally accredited in the treatment modality that is being delivered and within a governance framework.

- Practitioners within the service will receive clinical supervision from clinicians with appropriate expertise and experience.
- The service will work together with all appropriate agencies involved in addressing psychological and practical needs, drawing on all professional disciplines and evidence based therapeutic models.
- The service will ensure equity of access and respond appropriately to the diversity of local need.
- The service will be coproduced with people with lived experience.
- The service will be proactive in raising awareness of the support it provides and the importance of timely support for those impacted by suicide
- The service will ensure all those referred are contacted within 72 hrs (or less) of the death.
- The service will ensure all those referred Receive a copy of the 'Help is at Hand' document, or another resource agreed with commissioners.
- Conduct a follow-up assessment of support needs, enacting these accordingly.
- Offer face to face support in community locations that are acceptable to the clients, are available across Derby and Derbyshire and remove any barriers to access the service.
- Provide support and guidance through the Coroner's Inquest
- Signpost to GP or mental health services if the bereaved person is identified as experiencing severe depression and/or is at risk of suicide.
- Perform social auditing to identify other people who may be affected by the suicide e.g. school mates, work colleagues, neighbours.
- Support those bereaved by suicide at key dates e.g. anniversary of death, birthday, Christmas.

## Objectives

- To provide support to those who have been bereaved by suicide.
- To reduce the stigma for those who have been bereaved by suicide.

- To increase levels of hopefulness, satisfaction in daily activities and satisfaction in relationships in adults and children who are bereaved by suicide.

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

Quality criterion - Name: Quality & Innovation / Weighting: 20

Quality criterion - Name: Value / Weighting: 15

Quality criterion - Name: INTEGRATION, COLLABORATION & SERVICE SUSTAINABILITY / Weighting: 20

Quality criterion - Name: IMPROVING ACCESS, REDUCING HEALTH INEQUALITIES AND FACILITATING CHOICE / Weighting: 20

Quality criterion - Name: SOCIAL VALUE / Weighting: 25

Price - Weighting: 100

### **II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: Yes

Description of options

This is a 3 year contract with the option of 2 further years extension at the discretion of the contracting authority

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## Section IV. Procedure

### IV.1) Description

#### IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Award of a contract without prior publication of a call for competition in the cases listed below

- The procurement falls outside the scope of application of the regulations

Explanation:

This is a Provider Selection Regime (PSR) intention to award notice. The awarding of this contract is subject to the Health Care Services (Provider Selection Regime) Regulations 2023. For the avoidance of doubt, the provisions of the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 do not apply to this award. The standstill period begins on the day after the publication of this notice. Representations by providers must be made to decision makers by 16th October 2024. This contract has not yet formally been awarded; this notice serves as an intention to award under the PSR

#### IV.1.8) Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: No

### IV.2) Administrative information

#### IV.2.9) Information about termination of call for competition in the form of a prior information notice

The contracting authority will not award any further contracts based on the above prior information notice

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## Section V. Award of contract

### Title

Suicide Bereavement Services

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes



## **V.2) Award of contract**

### **V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract**

1 October 2024

### **V.2.2) Information about tenders**

Number of tenders received: 1

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: No

### **V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor**

Harmless

The Sanctuary,

Nottingham

NG7 7LJ

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKF - East Midlands (England)

Companies House

07150904

The contractor is an SME

No

### **V.2.4) Information on value of contract/lot (excluding VAT)**

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot: £405,000

Total value of the contract/lot: £405,000

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## Section VI. Complementary information

### VI.4) Procedures for review

#### VI.4.1) Review body

Derby & Derbyshire ICB

Derbyshire

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Country

United Kingdom

Internet address

<https://joinedupcarederbyshire.co.uk/derbyshire-integrated-care-board/>

#### VI.4.3) Review procedure

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

Request for review must be submitted to the Lead Commissioner by midnight on 18th October 2024. Any requests for review will be processed by the internal governance process overseen by the DDICB Commissioning & Procurement Assurance Group.