This is a published notice on the Find a Tender service: <u>https://www.find-tender.service.gov.uk/Notice/033092-2022</u>

# Tender SC22218 - Domestic Homicide Reviews - Independent Chairs and/or Authors (Dynamic Purchasing System)

Kent County Council

F02: Contract notice Notice identifier: 2022/S 000-033092 Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-038754 Published 22 November 2022, 3:02pm

# Section I: Contracting authority

### I.1) Name and addresses

Kent County Council

County Hall

Maidstone

**ME14 1XQ** 

#### Contact

Miss Molly Roast

#### Email

Molly.Roast@kent.gov.uk

#### Telephone

+44 3000414141

#### Country

United Kingdom

#### **Region code**

UK - United Kingdom

#### Internet address(es)

Main address

http://www.kent.gov.uk

Buyer's address

http://www.kent.gov.uk

# I.3) Communication

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

#### https://www.kentbusinessportal.org.uk/

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

https://www.kentbusinessportal.org.uk/

# 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

SC22218 - Domestic Homicide Reviews - Independent Chairs and/or Authors (Dynamic Purchasing System)

Reference number

DN642420

#### II.1.2) Main CPV code

• 85000000 - Health and social work services

#### II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

#### II.1.4) Short description

Kent County Council is establishing a Dynamic Purchasing System (DPS) for Independent Chairs/Authors, who are suitably qualified and experienced, to undertake reviews of Domestic Homicide/Suicide.

#### II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

# II.2) Description

#### II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

• UK - United Kingdom

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

Kent County Council is establishing a Dynamic Purchasing System (DPS) for Independent Chairs/Authors, who are suitably qualified and experienced, to undertake reviews of

Domestic Homicide/Suicide.

Domestic Homicide Reviews (DHRs) came into force on the 13th April 2011. They were established on a statutory basis under Section 9 of the Domestic Violence, Crime and Victims Act (2004). The Act states that a DHR should be a review of the circumstances in which the death of a person aged 16 or over has, or appears to have, resulted from violence, abuse or neglect by (a) a person to whom they were related or with whom they were or had been in an intimate personal relationship or (b) member of the same household; with a view to identifying the lessons to be learnt from the death. In 2016, the criteria were expanded to include relevant cases where the victim had taken their own life and the circumstances gave cause for concern, i.e., there was coercive and controlling behaviour present.

Overall responsibility for establishing a review lies with the local Community Safety Partnership (CSP) as they are ideally placed to initiate a DHR and review panel due to their multi-agency setup. CSPs are made up of representatives from the 'responsible authorities' (police, local authorities, fire and rescue authorities, probation service and health) who work together to protect their local communities from crime and help people feel safer. Since 2011, the Kent Community Safety Partnership (KCSP) has had lead responsibility for managing DHRs on behalf of all CSPs in Kent and Medway under the Kent and Medway protocol.

Suppliers who meet the Selection Criteria and have been successfully accepted onto the DPS will be able to submit bids (via a mini-competition process) to be appointed as an Independent Chair and Author to provide the DHR services.

The DPS will run for a period of 2 years from February 2023 with the potential to extend (in yearly increments) for a further three years. The initial deadline for the first set of applications is 13th January 2023. The DPS will operate electronically, and suppliers will be able to submit their application at any point in time whilst the DPS is live. There will be no limit on the number of providers who will be admitted and there will be future opportunities to join the DPS.

All tender documents are accessible via The Kent Business Portal.

#### 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

24

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

The initial term will be for a period of two years with the option to extend by three further periods of 1 year.

#### 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

# **Section IV. Procedure**

# IV.1) Description

#### IV.1.1) Type of procedure

**Restricted procedure** 

# IV.1.3) Information about a framework agreement or a dynamic purchasing system

The procurement involves the setting up of a dynamic purchasing system

#### 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

13 January 2023

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: 3 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)

# 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

Kent County Council

Kent

ME14 1XQ

Country

United Kingdom