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## **East Birmingham, North Solihull SME and Social Enterprise Support**

Birmingham City Council

F02: Contract notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-0417c0

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

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

Birmingham City Council

10 Woodcock Street

Birmingham

B4 7WB

#### **Email**

[etendering@birmingham.gov.uk](mailto:etendering@birmingham.gov.uk)

#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **NUTS code**

UKG31 - Birmingham

## **Internet address(es)**

Main address

[www.finditinbirmingham.com](http://www.finditinbirmingham.com)

Buyer's address

[www.in-tendhost.co.uk/birminghamcc](http://www.in-tendhost.co.uk/birminghamcc)

## **I.3) Communication**

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

[www.in-tendhost.co.uk/birminghamcc](http://www.in-tendhost.co.uk/birminghamcc)

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

[www.in-tendhost.co.uk/birminghamcc](http://www.in-tendhost.co.uk/birminghamcc)

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted to the above-mentioned address

## **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**

East Birmingham, North Solihull SME and Social Enterprise Support

Reference number

P1139

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

- 79400000 - Business and management consultancy and related services

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

Services

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

This project will fund a Tailored Business Support Programme which will explicitly seek to connect local SMEs to public-sector contracting opportunities within the area. This programme will cover mapping of eligible businesses, business diagnostics, business transition (especially around commercial viability for Social Enterprises), referral to existing start-up support, access to finance, and tailored support around consortia formation. To support this project will also fund a small grant programme, and a series of meet-the-buyer events aimed at further removing logistical barriers to accessing contracts. This programme will run in collaboration with market research which will aggregate contracting opportunities from within the Birmingham Anchor Network, Tier 1 contractors, and Solihull MBC. The successful provider must provide ongoing support to this mapping.

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

Value excluding VAT: £450,000

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

This contract is divided into lots: No

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

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

- 79400000 - Business and management consultancy and related services
- 79410000 - Business and management consultancy services
- 79411100 - Business development consultancy services

**II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UKG31 - Birmingham

**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

15

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**

This project is funded by the UK government through the UK Shared Prosperity Fund.

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

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

##### **III.1.1) Suitability to pursue the professional activity, including requirements relating to enrolment on professional or trade registers**

List and brief description of conditions

Further details will be provided in the tender documentation.

##### **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

13 December 2023

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

13 December 2023

Local time

12:00pm

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## Section VI. Complementary information

### VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: No

### VI.3) Additional information

The Council will be using its free to use e-tendering system (in-tend) for the administration of this procurement process and potential suppliers must register with the system to be able to express an interest. If you wish to express an interest in this opportunity please click on the following link to access <https://in-tendhost.co.uk/birminghamcc/> and submit your details to register. You will then be sent details on how to log on which will enable you to download all relevant documentation. If you are unable to register with In-tend or have any questions or problems on how to use this web site please either email us at: [cps@birmingham.gov.uk](mailto:cps@birmingham.gov.uk) Your completed tender submission should be returned by noon on 13th December 2023 via the 'in-tend' system <https://in-tendhost.co.uk/birminghamcc>

### VI.4) Procedures for review

#### VI.4.1) Review body

High Court of Justice

Royal Courts of Justice, Strand

London

WC2A 2LL

Country

United Kingdom