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Tender

Quality Funded Early Learning & Childcare (1140 hours)

Dundee City Council

F02: Contract notice

Notice identifier: 2023/S 000-033643

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

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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Country

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NUTS code

UKM71 - Angus and Dundee City

Internet address(es)

Main address

www.dundee.gov.uk

Buyer's address

https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA00220

I.3) Communication

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

www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.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

Quality Funded Early Learning & Childcare (1140 hours)

Reference number

PROC/C&F/02/23

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 85312110 - Child daycare services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Dundee City Council wish to seek bid submissions from suitably qualified and experienced providers to supplement it's existing framework (Contract Reference PROC/C&F/02/20) for Quality Funded Early Learning and Childcare.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £25,000,000

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

Early Learning & Childcare for Eligible 2 Year Olds

Lot No

1

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 80110000 - Pre-school education services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKM71 - Angus and Dundee City

Main site or place of performance

Dundee

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

To supplement its own in house service provision and the framework providers appointed to framework PROC/C&F/01/20 (Quality Funded Early Learning & Childcare), as the aforementioned framework allows for re-opening to new providers, Dundee City Council now intend to re-open the framework. In addition to passing the Qualification Stage, service providers appointed to the framework will be required to demonstrate that they fully meet the National Standards criteria and sub criteria and be prepared to accept the Council's hourly rates as detailed below.

5.59 GBP per hour of Early Learning and Childcare, per pre-school Child in their deferred, pre-school or ante pre-school year (but excluding Eligible 2 Year Olds);

5.90 GBP per hour of Early Learning and Childcare per Eligible 2 Year Olds (but excluding pre-school/ante pre-school Children in their deferred, pre-school or ante pre-school year; and

2.10 GBP per day for the provision of a Meal, per pre-school Child and Eligible 2 Year Olds accessing the Services (per session) such payment on proof of appropriate provision.

As this service is listed in Schedule 3 of the Public Contracts (Scotland) Regulations and the contract value exceeds 750,000 euros over the contract period, the Council will be using the afforded flexibility of the Light Touch Regime to re-open the framework.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents / Weighting: 0

Price - Weighting: 0

II.2.6) Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: £25,000,000

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

Start date

8 January 2024

End date

31 July 2024

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

Option to extend for a further year

II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: No

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: No

II.2.12) Information about electronic catalogues

Tenders must be presented in the form of electronic catalogues or include an electronic catalogue

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) Description

II.2.1) Title

Early Learning & Childcare for Eligible 3-5 Year Olds

Lot No

2

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 85312110 - Child daycare services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKM71 - Angus and Dundee City

Main site or place of performance

Dundee

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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Quality criterion - Name: Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents / Weighting: 0

Price - Weighting: 0

II.2.6) Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: £25,000,000

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

Start date

8 January 2024

End date

31 July 2024

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

Option to extend for a further 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 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

Included in the SPD.

III.1.2) Economic and financial standing

List and brief description of selection criteria

Included in the SPD and attached documents.

III.1.3) Technical and professional ability

List and brief description of selection criteria

Included in the SPD and attached documents.

III.2) Conditions related to the contract

III.2.2) Contract performance conditions

As detailed in the Invitation to Tender and supporting documents.

III.2.3) Information about staff responsible for the performance of the contract

Obligation to indicate the names and professional qualifications of the staff assigned to performing the contract

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Open procedure

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

The procurement involves the establishment of a framework agreement

Framework agreement with several operators

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.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure

Notice number: [2023/S 000-479080](#)

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

Date

12 December 2023

Local time

5:00pm

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

8:00am

Information about authorised persons and opening procedure

Social Care Contracts Team

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: No

VI.2) Information about electronic workflows

Electronic payment will be used

VI.3) Additional information

Suppliers are advised to allow adequate time for uploading documents and to dispatch the electronic response well in advance of the closing time to avoid any last minute problems.

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https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/Search/Search_Switch.aspx?ID=750073.

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https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/sitehelp/help_guides.aspx.

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The Contracting Authority does not intend to include a sub-contract clause as part of community benefits (as per Section 25 of the Procurement Reform (Scotland) Act 2014) in this contract for the following reason:

Not applicable.

Community benefits are included in this requirement. For more information see:
<https://www.gov.scot/policies/public-sector-procurement/community-benefits-in-procurement/>

A summary of the expected community benefits has been provided as follows:

Community benefits are detailed in the Invitation to Tender and supporting documentation.

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Download the ESPD document here:

https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/ESPD/ESPD_Download.aspx?id=750073

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Dundee Sheriff Court House

6 West Bell Street

Dundee

DD1 9AD

Country

United Kingdom