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# **Provision of Family Time Services for Looked After Children**

London Borough of Hackney

F02: Contract notice

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## **Section I: Contracting authority**

## I.1) Name and addresses

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#### Region code

UKI41 - Hackney and Newham

#### Internet address(es)

Main address

http://www.hackney.gov.uk

Buyer's address

http://www.hackney.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/Advert/Index?advertId=9c27880e-e486-ef11-8130-005056b64545

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

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## I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Regional or local authority

## I.5) Main activity

Health

## **Section II: Object**

#### II.1) Scope of the procurement

#### II.1.1) Title

Provision of Family Time Services for Looked After Children

Reference number

DN744343

#### II.1.2) Main CPV code

85300000 - Social work and related services

#### II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

#### II.1.4) Short description

The London Borough of Hackney, is seeking to work in partnership with a suitably qualified and experienced provider to deliver the Provision of Family Time Services for Looked After Children. The service is for children who are Looked After by the local authority to spend time with their parents, siblings and/or extended family members.

The provider will deliver a specialised, targeted provision for children looked after by the local authority that provides them with the opportunity to have high quality, regular and consistent contact with their families.

Hackney Council has a statutory duty to ensure that Looked After Children see their parents and members of their extended family as long as it is in their best interest to do so and a stand alone Family Time service is required as nearly all supervised Family Time for school age children needs to take place outside of school hours including at weekends.

To ensure that the service is as accessible as possible, the provider will be given access to a centre located in Hackney which can be used as a venue. For the majority of children it is appropriate for them to return to Hackney to see their families with their foster carers accompanying them. It is hoped that the need for supervision reduces overtime and children can be supported to have Family Time in the community. However, the service will also be required to facilitate out of borough visits if appropriate.

It is intended that the contract will run for 3 years, with an option to extend for up to two

further years in annual increments (3+1+1), commencing from 1st September 2025. The Council will be carrying out a Restricted Tender process for the procurement.

The Council is undertaking this tender process via its electronic (e) tendering portal, the London Tenders Portal [LTP].

#### II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

#### II.2) Description

#### II.2.3) Place of performance

**NUTS** codes

UKI41 - Hackney and Newham

#### 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** 

60

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

3+1+1 years

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: No

## IV.2) Administrative information

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

Date

18 November 2024

Local time

12:00pm

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

English

# **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

London Borough of Hackney

London

Country

**United Kingdom**