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Planning

## **Pre-Tender Market Engagement- Tender for the provision of Youth Engagement Services (YES) for Children and Young People aged 11 – 25 years old in Northern Ireland**

Business Services Organisation BSO- Procurement and Logistics Service PaLS on behalf of the Public Health Agency – PHA

F21: Social and other specific services – public contracts

Prior information notice without call for competition

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

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

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#### **Country**

United Kingdom

**Region code**

UK - United Kingdom

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps>

Buyer's address

<https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps>

**I.2) Information about joint procurement**

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

**I.3) Communication**

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

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

Body governed by public law

**I.5) Main activity**

Health

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## **Section II: Object**

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

#### **II.1.1) Title**

Pre-Tender Market Engagement- Tender for the provision of Youth Engagement Services (YES) for Children and Young People aged 11 – 25 years old in Northern Ireland

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

- 85000000 - Health and social work services

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

Services

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

The Public Health Agency – (PHA) wishes to inform the market that they are planning to procure the provision of a Youth Engagement Service (YES) for Children and Young People aged 11-25 in Northern Ireland.

The service is being offered in 8 LOTS- see below:

? Lot 1: Youth Engagement Service - Ballymena

? Lot 2: Youth Engagement Service - Banbridge

? Lot 3: Youth Engagement Service - Bangor

? Lot 4: Youth Engagement Service - Belfast

? Lot 5: Youth Engagement Service - Carrickfergus

? Lot 6: Youth Engagement Service - Derry/Londonderry

? Lot 7: Youth Engagement Service - Enniskillen

? Lot 8: Youth Engagement Service – Newry

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

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

## **II.2) Description**

### **II.2.1) Title**

Lot 1

Lot No

Lot 1: Youth Engagement Service - Ballymena

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

- 85000000 - Health and social work services

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

NUTS codes

- UKN - Northern Ireland

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

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Lot 1: Youth Engagement Service - Ballymena

SERVICE- The PHA require service providers to deliver a client centered interculturally competent and diversity sensitive Youth Engagement Service for all children and young people aged 11-25 years old. This Service will work holistically with children and young people aged 11-25 years to promote health and well-being, build confidence, self-esteem and resilience, and signpost and support those in need of specific help to the appropriate service. This Service provides a wide range of interventions and acts as a hub where young people have opportunities to socialize in an alcohol and drug-free environment and avail of information, advice and support on a range of issues from relevant services both on-site and off-site, with the support of staff from the Youth Engagement Service. The Youth Engagement Service is a signpost/referral service and is not a keyworker/care coordinator service.

The Service requires the provision of a venue that is accessible and acceptable to all Service users. The Youth Engagement Service is not a youth club. Each Youth Engagement Service will have a local identity and their specific provision is tailored to local need. The Youth Engagement Service will have the capacity to provide Educational Programmes, In Service Support and onward referral pertaining to the following range of issues including, but not restricted to:

- Mental and Emotional Health Issues: Depression, Low Self-Esteem, Self-harm, Family Problems, Educational (School) Problems.
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- Practical Issues: Further Education, Careers, Money Management, Independent Living Skills.

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#### **II.2.14) Additional information**

See Section VI.3

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

#### **II.2.1) Title**

Lot 2

Lot No

Lot 2: Youth Engagement Service - Banbridge

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

- 85000000 - Health and social work services

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

NUTS codes

- UKN - Northern Ireland

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

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### **Lot 2: Youth Engagement Service - Banbridge**

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

#### **II.2.1) Title**

Lot 3

Lot No

Lot 3: Youth Engagement Service - Bangor

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

- 85000000 - Health and social work services

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

NUTS codes

- UKN - Northern Ireland

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

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Lot 3: Youth Engagement Service - Bangor

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## **II.2) Description**

### **II.2.1) Title**

Lot 4

Lot No



## Lot 4: Youth Engagement Service - Belfast

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

- 85000000 - Health and social work services

### II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKN - Northern Ireland

### II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The PHA wishes to inform the market that they are planning to procure the provision of a Youth Engagement Service for Children and Young People aged 11-25 in Northern Ireland.

## Lot 4: Youth Engagement Service - Belfast

**SERVICE-** The PHA require service providers to deliver a client centered interculturally competent and diversity sensitive Youth Engagement Service for all children and young people aged 11-25 years old. This Service will work holistically with children and young people aged 11-25 years to promote health and well-being, build confidence, self-esteem and resilience, and signpost and support those in need of specific help to the appropriate service. This Service provides a wide range of interventions and acts as a hub where young people have opportunities to socialize in an alcohol and drug-free environment and avail of information, advice and support on a range of issues from relevant services both on-site and off-site, with the support of staff from the Youth Engagement Service. The Youth Engagement Service is a signpost/referral service and is not a keyworker/care coordinator service.

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- Wider Personal and Health Issues: Drugs and Alcohol (including tobacco), Relationships, Sexual Health, Healthy Eating.

- Social Welfare Issues: Benefits, Housing, Debts, Employment; and,
- Practical Issues: Further Education, Careers, Money Management, Independent Living Skills.

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## **II.2) Description**

### **II.2.1) Title**

Lot 5

Lot No

Lot 5: Youth Engagement Service - Carrickfergus

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

- 85000000 - Health and social work services

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

NUTS codes

- UKN - Northern Ireland

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

The PHA wishes to inform the market that they are planning to procure the provision of a Youth Engagement Service for Children and Young People aged 11-25 in Northern Ireland.

## Lot 5: Youth Engagement Service - Carrickfergus

**SERVICE-** The PHA require service providers to deliver a client centered interculturally competent and diversity sensitive Youth Engagement Service for all children and young people aged 11-25 years old. This Service will work holistically with children and young people aged 11-25 years to promote health and well-being, build confidence, self-esteem and resilience, and signpost and support those in need of specific help to the appropriate service. This Service provides a wide range of interventions and acts as a hub where young people have opportunities to socialize in an alcohol and drug-free environment and avail of information, advice and support on a range of issues from relevant services both on-site and off-site, with the support of staff from the Youth Engagement Service. The Youth Engagement Service is a signpost/referral service and is not a keyworker/care coordinator service.

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## **II.2) Description**

### **II.2.1) Title**

Lot 6

Lot No

Lot 6: Youth Engagement Service - Derry/Londonderry

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

- 85000000 - Health and social work services

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

NUTS codes

- UKN - Northern Ireland

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

The PHA wishes to inform the market that they are planning to procure the provision of a Youth Engagement Service for Children and Young People aged 11-25 in Northern Ireland.

Lot 6: Youth Engagement Service - Derry/Londonderry

SERVICE- The PHA require service providers to deliver a client centered interculturally competent and diversity sensitive Youth Engagement Service for all children and young people aged 11-25 years old. This Service will work holistically with children and young people aged 11-25 years to promote health and well-being, build confidence, self-esteem and resilience, and signpost and support those in need of specific help to the appropriate service. This Service provides a wide range of interventions and acts as a hub where young people have opportunities to socialize in an alcohol and drug-free environment and avail of information, advice and support on a range of issues from relevant services both on-site and off-site, with the support of staff from the Youth Engagement Service. The Youth Engagement Service is a signpost/referral service and is not a keyworker/care coordinator service.

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See Section VI.3

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

#### **II.2.1) Title**

Lot 7

Lot No

Lot 7: Youth Engagement Service - Enniskillen

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

- 85000000 - Health and social work services

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

NUTS codes

- UKN - Northern Ireland

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

The PHA wishes to inform the market that they are planning to procure the provision of a Youth Engagement Service for Children and Young People aged 11-25 in Northern Ireland.

Lot 7: Youth Engagement Service - Enniskillen

**SERVICE-** The PHA require service providers to deliver a client centered interculturally competent and diversity sensitive Youth Engagement Service for all children and young people aged 11-25 years old. This Service will work holistically with children and young people aged 11-25 years to promote health and well-being, build confidence, self-esteem and resilience, and signpost and support those in need of specific help to the appropriate service. This Service provides a wide range of interventions and acts as a hub where young people have opportunities to socialize in an alcohol and drug-free environment and avail of information, advice and support on a range of issues from relevant services both on-site and off-site, with the support of staff from the Youth Engagement Service. The Youth Engagement Service is a signpost/referral service and is not a keyworker/care coordinator service.

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## **II.2) Description**

### **II.2.1) Title**

Lot 8

Lot No

Lot 8: Youth Engagement Service – Newry

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

- 85000000 - Health and social work services

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

NUTS codes

- UKN - Northern Ireland

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

The PHA wishes to inform the market that they are planning to procure the provision of a Youth Engagement Service for Children and Young People aged 11-25 in Northern Ireland.

Lot 8: Youth Engagement Service – Newry

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### **II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice**

1 February 2023



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## Section VI. Complementary information

### VI.3) Additional information

This Prior Information Notice (PIN) has been published by the Procurement and Logistics Service (PaLS) Business Services Organisation (BSO) on behalf of the Public Health Agency (PHA). This PIN is intended to inform the market that the PHA are proposing to award contracts for the following service- Youth Engagement Service for Children and Young People aged 11-25 in Northern Ireland and therefore wish to carry out pre-tender market engagement with interested Providers. In the interests of transparency and equal treatment a paper-based approach i.e., Pre-Tender Market Engagement Paper, conducted in writing is being used for the purpose of pre-tender market engagement in advance of any tender process. The purpose of this exercise is to engage with and receive feedback from the market by outlining the PHA's proposals for the delivery of Youth Engagement Service for Children and Young People aged 11-25 in Northern Ireland which includes key elements of the service, and its procurement plans and requirements. The Paper, which includes a questionnaire, will be available on eTendersNI (<https://etendersni.gov.uk>) under resource ID CFT 4564597. Please ensure you are registered with eTendersNI. Interested providers MUST submit their response to the questionnaire via eTendersNI messaging by 17:00 on 21st December 2022. Any interest shown in the pre-tender market engagement does not constitute a commitment to participate in a procurement exercise. Failure to show interest does not restrict providers from participating in any future procurement exercise. This Tender is governed by the Public Contract Regulations 2015. The service being tendered is classified as a 'Social and other specific service' therefore the Light Touch Regime (regulations 74-77) applies. This pre-tender market engagement will take the form of a Paper and questionnaire for providers to respond to if you so wish.