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Tender

Independent Advocacy Services for Adults

Stirling Council
Clackmannanshire Council
Falkirk Council
NHS Forth Valley

F21: Social and other specific services – public contracts

Contract notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-05515c

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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NUTS code

UKM77 - Perth & Kinross and Stirling

Internet address(es)

Main address

<http://www.stirling.gov.uk>

Buyer's address

https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA00146

I.1) Name and addresses

Clackmannanshire Council

Kilncraigs, Greenside Street

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FK10 1EB

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Procurement@clacks.gov.uk

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Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

UKM72 - Clackmannanshire and Fife

Internet address(es)

Main address

<http://www.clacks.gov.uk/business/corporateprocurementprocess/>

Buyer's address

https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA00260

I.1) Name and addresses

Falkirk Council

The Foundry, 4 Central Boulevard, Central Park

Larbert

FK5 4RU

Email

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Telephone

+44 1324506070

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

UKM76 - Falkirk

Internet address(es)

Main address

<http://www.falkirk.gov.uk>

Buyer's address

https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA00184

I.1) Name and addresses

NHS Forth Valley

Trust Headquarters, Carseview Castle Business Park

Stirling

FK9 4SW

Email

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Telephone

+44 1786463031

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

UKM76 - Falkirk

Internet address(es)

Main address

<http://www.nhsforthvalley.com>

Buyer's address

https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA00067

I.2) Information about joint procurement

The contract involves joint procurement

I.3) Communication

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

<https://www.publictendersscotland.publiccontractscotland.gov.uk>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

<https://www.publictendersscotland.publiccontractscotland.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

Independent Advocacy Services for Adults

Reference number

SC2425-0150

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 98000000 - Other community, social and personal services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Independent advocacy services for adults within the Forth Valley area

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £1,878,559

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 85300000 - Social work and related services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKM77 - Perth & Kinross and Stirling

- UKM76 - Falkirk
- UKM72 - Clackmannanshire and Fife

Main site or place of performance

Forth Valley

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Provision of independent advocacy services in the Forth valley area.

II.2.7) Duration of the contract or the framework agreement

Duration in months

48

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.1.4) Objective rules and criteria for participation

List and brief description of rules and criteria

It is a mandatory requirement the independent advocacy organisation providing services has the governance arrangements that meet the Principles of the following publications by SIAA:

Independent Advocacy Principles, Standards and Code of Best Practice (2019)

Outcomes Framework: Toolkit for Demonstrating Impact of Independent Advocacy (2019)

Advocating for Human Rights (2017)

Working with Children and Young people: Guidelines for Advocates (2016)

Families at Risk Guidance (2014)

Working with People in Prison Guidelines (2014)

Independent Advocacy and Self-directed Support (2015)

Mental Health Tribunal Advocacy Guidelines (2012)

Independent Advocacy: An Evaluation Framework (2010)

Non-Instructed Advocacy Guidelines: A Companion to the Code of Practice for Independent Advocacy (2009)

III.2) Conditions related to the contract

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) Form of procedure

Open procedure

IV.2) Administrative information

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

Date

29 July 2025

Local time

12:00pm

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

English

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

The buyer is using PCS-Tender to conduct this ITT exercise. The Project code is 29494. For more information see:

<http://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/info/InfoCentre.aspx?ID=2343>

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 contractual requirements which deliver a wider social benefit in addition to the core purpose of the foregoing contract.

Bidders should detail any community benefits specifically for the Forth Valley area which you will apply to this contract. We anticipate these may relate to training or support to local charities, groups, education facilities etc.

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VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Stirling Sherrif Court

Stirling

Country

United Kingdom