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Tender

ESCC - ME Approved List for The Provision of Independent Providers of Foster Care Services

East Sussex County Council

F02: Contract notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocids-h6vhtk-038acd

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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UKJ22 - East Sussex CC

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Main address

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I.3) Communication

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

<https://sesharedservices.org.uk/esourcing>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

<https://sesharedservices.org.uk/esourcing>

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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

ESCC - ME Approved List for The Provision of Independent Providers of Foster Care Services

Reference number

ESCC - 035644

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 85000000 - Health and social work services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

East Sussex County Council and Brighton and Hove City Council (Participating Authorities) is inviting Independent Foster Care Agencies to apply to join a new hybrid framework/DPS Light Touch Regime 'Approved List' for the purchase of foster care placements as required. Agencies wishing to be considered will be able to demonstrate effective business models, and that the latest Ofsted inspection for the relevant Registered Office(s) be an overall quality rating of good or outstanding. The Approved List Agreement will be with East Sussex County Council (The Lead Authority) and will be for an initial four (4) year period to commence on the 1 April 2023 until the 31 March 2027. There will be an option for the Lead Authority to extend the Framework Agreement for a further period of 2 years to a potential maximum term of 6 years. East Sussex County Council and Brighton and Hove City Council will commence using this framework from the 1 April 2023.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £112,000,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 85000000 - Health and social work services
- 85300000 - Social work and related services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKJ22 - East Sussex CC

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

Start date

1 April 2023

End date

31 March 2029

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

Section III. Legal, economic, financial and technical information

III.1) Conditions for participation

III.1.2) Economic and financial standing

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

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

11 January 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

21 March 2023

Local time

5:00pm

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: Yes

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

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United Kingdom