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## **Provision of Fostering and Continuing Care Service**

Falkirk Council

F21: Social and other specific services – public contracts

Prior information notice without call for competition

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocids-h6vhtk-04b66b

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

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

Falkirk Council

The Foundry, 4 Central Park, Central Boulevard

Falkirk

FK5 4RU

#### **Email**

[pcu@falkirk.gov.uk](mailto:pcu@falkirk.gov.uk)

#### **Telephone**

+44 1324506566

#### **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](https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA00184)

**I.3) Communication**

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

[www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk](http://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk)

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**

General public services

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## **Section II: Object**

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

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

Provision of Fostering and Continuing Care Service

#### **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 Prior Information Notice and this additional information relates to a Provider Information Event only in relation to a Falkirk Council Framework Agreement for the Provision of a Fostering and Continuing Care Service.

Please see Section VI below for additional information.

#### **II.1.5) Estimated total value**

Value excluding VAT: £17,500,000

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

This contract is divided into lots: No

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

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

- 85310000 - Social work services
- 85311000 - Social work services with accommodation
- 85311300 - Welfare services for children and young people
- 85320000 - Social services

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

NUTS codes

- UKM76 - Falkirk

Main site or place of performance

Placements within a 25-mile radius of Falkirk HQ

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

Provision of Fostering and Continuing Care Service

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

27 January 2025

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## Section VI. Complementary information

### VI.3) Additional information

This notice relates to a Provider Information Event only.

Falkirk Council currently has a Framework Agreement in place for the Provision of a Fostering Service which is due to expire on 30 April 2025 and Falkirk Council will re-tender this framework, with an anticipated start date of 1 April 2025.

We would now like to invite Providers who would be interested in tendering for the new Framework to join us for an Information Event on Thursday 28th November 2024 at 11am via Microsoft Teams for approximately one hour.

To register your attendance at the Information Event, please email [cpu@falkirk.gov.uk](mailto:cpu@falkirk.gov.uk) with the name, designation and email address of those wishing to attend by Monday 25th November. A meeting invite will then be emailed with Joining Instructions.

Additional support and information about tendering is available from:

Supplier Development Programme

If you're a Scottish SME or 3rd sector organisation interested in working with the public sector, the Supplier Development Programme can help. They offer expert training, support and information to help you win work and grow your business and best of all – it's completely FREE.

Please check it out at: <https://www.sdpScotland.co.uk/>

They offer webinars on various topics including; tender procedures and SPD question by question. If this is an area you are looking to improve on please take advantage of this resource.

NOTE: To register your interest in this notice and obtain any additional information please visit the Public Contracts Scotland Web Site at

[https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/Search/Search\\_Switch.aspx?ID=783315](https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/Search/Search_Switch.aspx?ID=783315).

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