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Tender SPS 2813 INDEPENDENT VISITOR AND ADVOCACY SERVICES

Royal Borough of Greenwich

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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I.3) Communication

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

https://procontract.due-north.com

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

https://procontract.due-north.com/Opportunities/Index?resetFilter=True&applyFilter=True&p=2241eb95-058a-e511-80f7-000c29c9ba21&v=1

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

I.5) Main activity

General public services

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

SPS 2813 INDEPENDENT VISITOR AND ADVOCACY SERVICES

Reference number

DN752433

II.1.2) Main CPV code

• 85000000 - Health and social work services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

We seek to commission Independent Visitors and Advocacy, both for children and young people ("Children") in the care of the Council; and of Advocacy for Children with an open Child Protection ("CP") plan. This service will meet the statutory requirements placed on the Council in relation to the provision of: Independent advocacy for Children in our Care and a commitment to deliver an Independent Visiting service.

Independent Visiting services match a volunteer with a Child in the care of the local authority, whose placement may be some distance from their family home and who may have limited contact with family members. Children regularly meet their volunteer for an activity of their choosing, either virtually or in-person. Matches generally last for a minimum of two years, though the exact time in this contract may vary.

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

• UKI51 - Bexley and Greenwich

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Service 1: Independent Visitors (Kent and Medway)

Adult volunteers who provide a listening ear and undertake activities of interest primarily with Children in our care and where possible Care Leavers (up to 25-years-old) who have little or no contact with their birth parents.

Service 2: Independent Visitor (London and the rest of the UK)

Adult volunteers who provide a listening ear and undertake activities of interest primarily with Children in our care and where possible Care Leavers (up to 25-years-old) who have little or no contact with their birth parents.

Service 3: Advocacy for Children in the Care of the Council and/ or on a Child Protection Plan

Provide dedicated, independent support from an advocate for Children who are in the care of the Council, leaving care, and children who are the subject of a child protection conference.

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 2025

End date

31 March 2027

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

RGB Reserves the right to extend this contract further one year to a maximum of 3 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

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

10 January 2025

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

10 January 2025

Local time

12:00pm

Place

Proactis Portal

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

The Royal Borough of Greenwich

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