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Planning

CT0748 - Service for Children Affected by Parental Substance Use (CAPSU)

City of Edinburgh Council

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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I.3) Communication

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

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

CT0748 - Service for Children Affected by Parental Substance Use (CAPSU)

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 85000000 - Health and social work services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Edinburgh Health and Social Care Partnership (EHSCP) currently jointly commissions, with Children, Education and Justice Services (CEJS), a single coherent service providing holistic support to families affected by parental substance use.

The contract has been in place for 8 years and EHSCP and CEJS now wish to gauge interest in continuing provision. The need for the service remains however new guidance and policy including The Promise, Principles for Holistic Whole Family Support, Rights, Respect and Recovery (2018) and Families Affected by Drug and Alcohol use in Scotland (2021), have informed work to update the specification.

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
- 98000000 - Other community, social and personal services
- 85311300 - Welfare services for children and young people

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKM75 - Edinburgh, City of

Main site or place of performance

Across the whole of the City of Edinburgh

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The specification will outline a single coherent service focused on minimising harm and

mitigating risks to children and young people by reducing the impact of parental substance use. The service will provide support to the whole family and take a wider view of family including older relatives and friends. It will provide:

- holistic support for families with children and young people aged 0-18 affected by parental substance use
- emotional and practical support for children and young people aged 5-18 affected by parental substance use.

Strong links and joint working will be expected with drug and alcohol treatment hubs, social work practice teams and other services for people affected by substance use in order to identify families having difficulties at the earliest possible stage and provide the required level of support and intervention to best support children, young people and families.

It is expected that the successful provider will have a proven track record in working with particularly vulnerable families affected by parental substance use and be able to bring innovative approaches and programmes to their work. They will also be expected to have clear, effective procedures to involve families and children in service design, evaluation and improvement.

The work with families shall include the specific activities listed below:

- Help for parents to support them in their role by providing professional advice and enabling interventions to address issues such as setting boundaries, dealing with challenging behaviour and establishing routines;
- Practical assistance to help people attend medical and other professional appointments e.g. child's medical appointments;
- Targeted interventions to improve school / nursery attendance and educational attainment of the children / young people within the family;
- Access to interventions to improve emotional wellbeing and literacy;
- Support on wider issues that impact on the wellbeing of the child e.g. budgeting and finance issues, housing issues, healthy eating etc. by enabling clients to access the services provided by other organisations where appropriate through signposting and /or accompanying people to initial appointments;
- Work in partnership with adult treatment and recovery services to support individual and family recovery;
- The service will be expected to include specific engagement and support for fathers and

bring innovative ideas and approaches to improve family support.

- Group work
- Peer support for families

The service will also require direct one-to-one work with children and young people affected by parental substance use which will focus on building resilience and emotional wellbeing, improving self-confidence and self-esteem and addressing specific issues that may be the result of parental substance use e.g. anxiety, anger, grief and caring responsibilities.

While acknowledging that this is not a crisis management service, the service will need to ensure staff are available to support children and families at key times of need; and can attend relevant professional meetings concerning the welfare of the child and/ or young person.

The service will need to empower and enable families, children and young people to make the transition from this specialist CAPSU Service into mainstream activities and community services.

The service shall be responsive to the changing landscape for delivering Council services on a locality basis and the further development of adult drug and alcohol services and the Recovery Hubs and will develop the Service accordingly.

II.2.14) Additional information

This Prior Information Notice (PIN) is being utilised to help engage and understand the market which will support the procurement route going forward.

By submitting your interest, you are agreeing to further engagement with the Council and the Edinburgh Health and Social Care Partnership.

Please note TUPE may apply to this requirement.

II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

27 December 2023

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

It is considered this requirement is covered under the light touch regime of Public Contracts (Scotland) Regulations 2015.

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