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Tender

Cupar Core and Cluster (Tailabout) Service

Fife Council

F02: Contract notice

Notice identifier: 2024/S 000-038433

Procurement identifier (OCID): ocids-h6vhtk-04959d

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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Main address

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

Buyer's address

https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA00187

I.3) Communication

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

www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Regional or local authority

I.5) Main activity

Social protection

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Cupar Core and Cluster (Tailabout) Service

Reference number

SC0052

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 H&SCP wishes to commission a service for the provision of care and support of a group of 12 individuals (this includes one vacancy which is in the process of being filled) with a severe and enduring mental illness/disorders that often disrupts major areas of their life, including relationships, employment, housing, and self-care, leading to a need for specialised support services.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £688,500

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
- 85310000 - Social work services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKM72 - Clackmannanshire and Fife

Main site or place of performance

Cupar, Fife

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

This requirement is for the provision of care and support of a group of 12 individuals (this includes one vacancy which is in the process of being filled) with a severe and enduring mental illness/disorders that often disrupts major areas of their life, including relationships, employment, housing, and self-care, leading to a need for specialised support services. This service initially allowed the individuals to be moved from inpatients in Stratheden Hospital into their own homes in the community and now is a supported living service to promote and sustain mental health rehabilitation.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality Questions / Weighting: 85

Price - Weighting: 15

II.2.6) Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: £688,500

II.2.7) Duration of the contract, framework agreement or dynamic purchasing system

Start date

17 March 2025

End date

16 March 2030

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

The option to extend for a further 12 months is built into the Contract. This is likely to be an ongoing requirement.

II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: No

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: Yes

Description of options

Fife Council may require additional purchases under this contract which have not been specifically detailed in the specification however any additional purchases will be in full accordance with the requirements of Regulation 72 of the Public Contract (Scotland) Regulations 2015.

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

III.1.3) Technical and professional ability

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: No

IV.2) Administrative information

IV.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure

Notice number: [2024/S 000-027268](#)

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

Date

6 January 2025

Local time

5:00pm

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

English

IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders

Date

6 January 2025

Local time

5:00pm

Place

Fife House, Glenrothes or from staff homes if working from home.

Information about authorised persons and opening procedure

The Postbox is opened by 2 Procurement Staff.

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: Yes

Estimated timing for further notices to be published: If the requirement is still required a further procurement exercise may be undertaken.

VI.3) Additional information

The Contract is expected to commence on 17th March 2025. Please note if a transition period to a new Provider is required then it will commence as soon as possible after this date.

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=781297.

The buyer has indicated that it will accept electronic responses to this notice via the Postbox facility. A user guide is available at

https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/sitehelp/help_guides.aspx.

Suppliers are advised to allow adequate time for uploading documents and to dispatch the electronic response well in advance of the closing time to avoid any last minute problems.

The Contracting Authority does not intend to include a sub-contract clause as part of community benefits (as per Section 25 of the Procurement Reform (Scotland) Act 2014) in this contract for the following reason:

Sub Contracting is not permitted as outlined in the Tender documents.

The Contracting Authority does not intend to include any community benefit requirements in this contract for the following reason:

Community Benefits have not previously been sought for these services as to date they have been deemed to be delivering a Community Benefit in themselves: "by their nature the services provided under this Contract continually benefit members of the community. In addition, many of the providers in the market are local companies employing local carers."

Community Benefits have been considered for this procurement but have not been deemed as appropriate therefore will not be requested for the following reasons:

- Community benefits are often encouraged to be around generating employment and training opportunities however it is well documented that the Care Sector is experiencing issues in recruiting and retaining staff, and it is felt that this would add additional pressures.
- Traditionally, wider communities offer support to Care Providers in the form of volunteers, fundraising etc. which is the opposite to Care Providers offering additional benefits to the community.
- It is felt that asking for other community benefits would place a disproportionate burden on the Providers at a time when they are already dealing with the aftermath of the Covid-19 pandemic, EU Exit and the Cost-of-Living Crisis.

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Download the ESPD document here:

https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/ESPD/ESPD_Download.aspx?id=781297

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Kirkcaldy Sheriff Court

Kirkcaldy

KY1 1XQ

Country

United Kingdom

VI.4.3) Review procedure

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

Economic operators should approach the contracting authority in the first instance. However, the only formal remedy is to apply to the courts:

An economic operator that suffers, or is at risk of suffering, loss or damage attributable to a breach of duty under the Public Contracts (Scotland) Regulations 2015 or the Procurement Reform (Scotland) Act 2014, may bring proceedings in the Sheriff Court or the Court of Session.