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## **Residential Children's Home Service**

Milton Keynes City Council

F02: Contract notice

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The closing date and time has been changed to:

**17 January 2025, 12:00pm**

See the [change notice](#).

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

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

Milton Keynes City Council

Civic Office, 1 Saxon Gate East

Milton Keynes

MK9 3EJ

#### **Email**

[corporateprocurement@milton-keynes.gov.uk](mailto:corporateprocurement@milton-keynes.gov.uk)

#### **Telephone**

+44 1908691691

**Country**

United Kingdom

**NUTS code**

UKJ12 - Milton Keynes

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://in-tendhost.co.uk/milton-keynes/asp/Home>

Buyer's address

<https://www.milton-keynes.gov.uk>

**I.3) Communication**

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

<https://in-tendhost.co.uk/milton-keynes/asp/Home>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted to the above-mentioned address

**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**

Residential Children's Home Service

Reference number

2024-199

#### **II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 85311300 - Welfare services for children and young people

#### **II.1.3) Type of contract**

Services

#### **II.1.4) Short description**

Milton Keynes City Council (the Council) requires provision of Residential Children's Home Service. The contract is to commission an external provider to operate a residential children's home, utilising the Council's property. It will be Ofsted-registered Children's Home offering care for up to 2 Young People with complex needs. The procurement is being run under Light Touch Regime. Intended mainly for planned medium-term placements (3 to 12 months) to bring children back into area, offer stability and focused work to enable move-on to mainstream residential, foster care, SA or home.

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

Value excluding VAT: £7,900,000

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

This contract is divided into lots: No

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

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

- 85311300 - Welfare services for children and young people
- 85000000 - Health and social work services

- 85310000 - Social work services

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

NUTS codes

- UKJ12 - Milton Keynes

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

The Council wish to commission a suitably qualified and experienced Provider of children's residential care to operate an Ofsted-registered 2-bed therapeutic children's home utilising one of the Council's own properties, for Children and Young People aged 9-18 with complex emotional and behavioural needs. These needs may include, but are not limited to, trauma, attachment, offending including gang affiliation and weapon use, mental health including hospital step down, neurodevelopment (Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder ADHD and or Autism Spectrum Disorder ASD), substance use and child sexual/criminal exploitation presenting high levels of risk. This is a block Contract, to be let for three (3) years from the agreed service commencement date, with the option to extend subject to review for up to a further two (2) years on a year by year basis. This comprises of core contract costs of £712K p/a, based on a standard 1-1 staffing ratio. However, additional staffing up to a 3-1 ratio may be required at times throughout the duration of the contract, in which case a total envelope of up to £1.58 million p/a is permissible.

### **II.2.5) Award criteria**

Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

### **II.2.6) Estimated value**

Value excluding VAT: £7,900,000

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

Duration in months

36

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

An option to extend subject to review for up to a further two (2) years on a year by year basis

#### **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

#### **II.2.14) Additional information**

The maximum contract value for the whole term of the contract including extensions will be £7,900,000. This comprises of core contract costs of £712K p/a, based on a standard 1-1 staffing ratio. However, additional staffing up to a 3-1 ratio may be required at times throughout the duration of the contract, in which case a total envelope of up to £1.58 million p/a is permissible.

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### **Section III. Legal, economic, financial and technical information**

#### **III.1) Conditions for participation**

##### **III.1.1) Suitability to pursue the professional activity, including requirements relating to enrolment on professional or trade registers**

List and brief description of conditions

As stated in procurement documents

##### **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

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## **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**

Originally published as:

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10 January 2025

Local time

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Date

17 January 2025

Local time

12:00pm

See the [change notice](#).

#### **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

Milton Keynes City Council

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.1) Information about recurrence**

This is a recurrent procurement: Yes

Estimated timing for further notices to be published: 2029

### **VI.2) Information about electronic workflows**

Electronic payment will be used

### **VI.4) Procedures for review**

#### **VI.4.1) Review body**

High Court Royal Court of Justice

London

WC24 2LL

Country

United Kingdom

#### **VI.4.3) Review procedure**

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

The Council will incorporate a minimum 10 calendar day standstill period at the point information on the award of the Contract is communicated to tenderers. Applicants who are unsuccessful shall be informed by the Contracting Authority as soon as possible after the decision has been made as to the reasons why the Applicant was unsuccessful. Applicants may seek further clarification from the Contracting Authority following receipt of this information and the Contracting Authority will provide further clarification as appropriate. If any clarification regarding the award of the Contract has not been successfully resolved, an Applicant can consider its option under the Public Contracts Regulations 2015. Applicants would need to obtain their own legal advice.