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## **ASC0311 - Best Interest Assessor (BIA)**

Leicester City Council

F21: Social and other specific services – public contracts

Contract notice

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

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

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**Region code**

UKF21 - Leicester

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

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

Buyer's address

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

**I.3) Communication**

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

<https://procontract.due-north.com/Advert/Index?advertId=31f160f3-d6b7-ef11-8132-005056b64545>

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/Advert/Index?advertId=31f160f3-d6b7-ef11-8132-005056b64545>

**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**

ASC0311 - Best Interest Assessor (BIA)

Reference number

DN741422

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

- 85000000 - Health and social work services

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

Services

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

Leicester City Council ('the Authority') invites tenders for the provision of Deprivation of Liberty Safeguards (DoLS) Best Interest Assessors (BIA) for Leicester. The BIA Service will assist the Council to deliver their statutory responsibilities, as outlined in the Mental Capacity Act 2005 and subsequent Deprivation of Liberty Safeguards (DoLS), to ensure that where a decision to deprive someone of their liberty is required it is made lawfully and based on relevant best practice, guidance and case law.

#### **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

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

NUTS codes

- UKF21 - Leicester

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

The proposed Contract will be for an initial period of 3 years to commence on 7th July 2025, with an option to extend, subject to satisfactory performance outcomes and agreement by the Authority, for a further period, or periods, up to a total of 2 years, taking the contract term to a maximum of 5 years up to 6th July 2030. The proposed service is based on current and known funding allocations. These could alter through the life of the contract in light of changes in future local and central government funding. The contract value assigned to this service is £160,000 per annum, £800,000 for the full 5 year contract period. Further information in respect of this tender opportunity is contained within the Invitation to Tender documentation.

The Authority is conducting this procurement under the Light Touch Regime for Social and Other Specific Services, as set out in the Public Contract Regulations 2015 (PCR), at Section 7 (Regulations 74 to 77). The Procurement process will be similar to that of an Open Procedure however, the Process will, unlike an Open Procedure, include the flexibility, as allowed under the Light Touch Regime.

It is the Authority's preliminary view that TUPE is unlikely to apply in respect of this Contract.

The Invitation to Tender document and with the appendices and all other documentation issued to Tenderers sets out the details of the Authority's requirements and how to submit your Tender.

An Online Microsoft Teams Tenderers Information Session is being held on 18th December 2024 commencing at 10:30. Further details regarding how to register for this session is also contained within the Invitation to Tender documentation.

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

Value excluding VAT: £800,000

#### **II.2.7) Duration of the contract or the framework agreement**

Start date

7 July 2025

End date

6 July 2030

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## **Section IV. Procedure**

### **IV.1) Description**

#### **IV.1.1) Form of procedure**

Open procedure

#### **IV.1.11) Main features of the award procedure**

As detailed in the Invitation to Tender documentation.

### **IV.2) Administrative information**

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

Date

13 January 2025

Local time

2:00pm

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

English

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

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

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

Construction and Technology Court (Queens Bench Division) (Branch of High Court of Justice)

Priory Courts, 33 Bull Street

Birmingham

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United Kingdom

#### **VI.4.4) Service from which information about the review procedure may be obtained**

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