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## **Flying Start Childcare – Dynamic Purchasing System**

Cardiff Council

F01: Prior information notice

Prior information only

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocids-h6vhtk-04c87f

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

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

Cardiff Council

County Hall, Atlantic Wharf

Cardiff

CF10 4UW

#### **Email**

[socialcare.procurement@cardiff.gov.uk](mailto:socialcare.procurement@cardiff.gov.uk)

#### **Telephone**

+44 2920873732

#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **NUTS code**

UKL22 - Cardiff and Vale of Glamorgan

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://www.cardiff.gov.uk/ENG/Pages/default.aspx>

Buyer's address

[https://www.sell2wales.gov.wales/search/Search\\_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA0422](https://www.sell2wales.gov.wales/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA0422)

**I.2) Information about joint procurement**

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

**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**

Other activity

Health and Social Care

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## **Section II: Object**

### **II.1) Scope of the procurement**

#### **II.1.1) Title**

Flying Start Childcare – Dynamic Purchasing System

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

- 85000000 - Health and social work services

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

Services

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

Cardiff Council is seeking expressions of interest from Childcare Providers operating in Cardiff that are registered with the Care Inspectorate Wales (CIW) to deliver Flying Start childcare placements for eligible 2-3 year olds.

It is our intention to go out to the market in the near future to commission these services through a Dynamic Purchasing System.

The service to be provided is childcare to eligible 2-3 year olds for 2.5 hours each day, 5 days each week for 39 weeks each year, in alignment with school term times.

The Council will require essential elements of the service as highlighted below Including but is not limited to:

Registration of childcare provision with Care Inspectorate Wales (CIW) with the ability to care for 2-3 year olds

A commitment towards achieving the standards as set out in the Flying Start Childcare Guidance issued by the Welsh Government and the local Flying Start requirements

A commitment to work towards the required staffing qualifications. Staff working in Flying Start settings must have experience of working with young children and must have the qualifications outlined within Social Care Wales's Qualification Framework to work within the Early Years and Childcare Sector in Wales Social Care Wales. The list identifies the qualifications required to work within Flying Start. It sets out the current qualifications required (and equivalents), past qualifications which are accepted and suggested work-based qualifications for career progression and CPD.

A commitment to delivering the agreed number of Flying Start childcare placements for the lifetime of the contract. Please note that the Flying Start Placement Team will review the need for places regularly and provide you with 1 terms notice should any changes be required.

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

This contract is divided into lots: No

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

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

- 85312100 - Daycare services
- 85312110 - Child daycare services
- 85312120 - Daycare services for disabled children and young people
- 85000000 - Health and social work services

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

NUTS codes

- UKL22 - Cardiff and Vale of Glamorgan

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

Please register your interest by 12-noon Friday 10th January 2025.

#### **II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice**

3 February 2025

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### **Section IV. Procedure**

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

##### **IV.1.8) Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)**

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.3) Additional information**

Please register your interest by 12:00:00pm (noon) Friday 10th January 2025.

The current hourly rate for each Flying Start childcare placement is GBP 5.55 per child.

At this stage the Council is considering a 4-year contract term

NOTE: To register your interest in this notice and obtain any additional information please visit the Sell2Wales Web Site at

[https://www.sell2wales.gov.wales/Search/Search\\_Switch.aspx?ID=146808](https://www.sell2wales.gov.wales/Search/Search_Switch.aspx?ID=146808).

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