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Tender

PROVISION OF DRUGS AND ALCOHOL TESTING

Birmingham City Council

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Scope

Reference

PQ0619

Description

Birmingham City Council (the Council) is seeking to appoint an organisation for the provision of Drugs and Alcohol Testing.

The service will be required to provide drug and alcohol testing as directed by managers, heads of service and the senior leadership team within BCC. All sample collection and subsequent testing must comply with relevant legislation and follow strict procedures to maintain chain of custody.

Any laboratory used in the testing of samples must be a UKAS accredited laboratory to ISO 17025 standards.

The Provider will be required to provide information, instruction and training to BCC employees, to contribute to the development of BCC testing policy and to ensure that testing is undertaken in line with associated standards and legislation.

The contract for the services will commence from December 2025 and will be in place for a period of 4 years with a review clause after 12-months.

The Council will be using its free to use e-tendering system (in-tend) for the administration of this procurement process and potential suppliers must register with the system to be able to express an interest. If you wish to express an interest in this opportunity please click on the following link to access <https://in-tendhost.co.uk/birminghamcc/> and submit your details to register. You will then be able to log on which will enable you to download all relevant quotation documentation.

If you are unable to register with In-tend or have any questions or problems on how to use this web site please email us at: etendering@birmingham.gov.uk

Your completed quotation submission should be returned by noon on 31st October 2025 via the 'in-tend' system <https://in-tendhost.co.uk/birminghamcc>

Total value (estimated)

- £120,000 excluding VAT
- £140,000 including VAT

Below the relevant threshold

Contract dates (estimated)

- 5 January 2026 to 7 January 2030
- 4 years, 3 days

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 38500000 - Checking and testing apparatus
- 38544000 - Drug detection apparatus
- 71632000 - Technical testing services
- 85100000 - Health services
- 85140000 - Miscellaneous health services
- 85147000 - Company health services

Submission

Enquiry deadline

24 October 2025, 5:00pm

Tender submission deadline

31 October 2025, 11:00am

Submission address and any special instructions

This Request for Quotations is being issued using the Council's e-tendering system 'In-tend' and organisations must ensure that they are registered users. The procurement process will be managed using this system and therefore all bids must be submitted by Tenderers via the 'in-tend' system. <https://in-tendhost.co.uk/birminghamcc> Registration and use of in-tend is free. All correspondence for this procurement process must be via the in-tend correspondence function and you should not contact any individual directly either by email or by telephone. If you are already a registered user, you do not have to re-register. If you are unable to register with in-tend or are experiencing difficulties, please email the etendering@birmingham.gov.uk. Deadline for request for quotation is noon on 31st October 2025.

Tenders may be submitted electronically

Yes

Award criteria

The award criteria carries a total weighting of 100%, this is split between the following sections: The overall weighting for the quality criteria is 70%. The overall weighting for the price is 30% For full details please refer to the procurement documents.

Procedure

Procedure type

Below threshold - open competition

Contracting authority

Birmingham City Council

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PCJJ-4826-QMLZ

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Birmingham

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United Kingdom

Contact name: Commercial and Procurement Services

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Region: UKG31 - Birmingham

Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government