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Tender

West Midlands Independent Fostering Agency Framework

Coventry City Council

F02: Contract notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

Coventry City Council

PO Box 7097

Coventry

CV6 9SL

Email

procurement.services@coventry.gov.uk

Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UKG33 - Coventry

Justification for not providing organisation identifier

Not on any register

Internet address(es)

Main address

<https://www.coventry.gov.uk>

I.3) Communication

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

<https://sell2.in-tend.co.uk/midlands/home>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

<https://sell2.in-tend.co.uk/midlands/home>

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Regional or local authority

I.5) Main activity

General public services

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

West Midlands Independent Fostering Agency Framework

Reference number

COV-18715

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 85300000 - Social work and related services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

This framework is for the provision of foster care services across the West Midlands region.

Coventry City Council is the lead local authority for the new framework, which can be accessed by the 14 West Midlands Local Authorities/Trusts.

The West Midlands Regional Independent Fostering Agency Framework remains the primary means by which foster care homes are sourced in the region from the independent market.

This is a framework re-opening, and Tenderers are invited to bid for one or more of the Lots. Providers that are already on the framework can apply to be added to an additional Lot(s).

Please see tender documents for more information about the framework, of which can be downloaded from Coventry City Council's e-tendering website www.csw-jets.co.uk.

Please note each Independent Fostering Agency must submit their own individual tender (associated with their Ofsted unique reference number) and bids will not be accepted from umbrella organisations with multiple Independent Fostering Agencies e.g. covering different regional areas.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £2,750,000,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

Tenders may be submitted for all lots

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Standard Foster Care

Lot No

1

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 85300000 - Social work and related services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKG11 - Herefordshire, County of
- UKG12 - Worcestershire
- UKG13 - Warwickshire
- UKG21 - Telford and Wrekin
- UKG22 - Shropshire CC
- UKG23 - Stoke-on-Trent
- UKG24 - Staffordshire CC
- UKG31 - Birmingham
- UKG32 - Solihull
- UKG33 - Coventry
- UKG36 - Dudley
- UKG37 - Sandwell
- UKG38 - Walsall
- UKG39 - Wolverhampton

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Lot 1 is for the provision of Standard Foster Care placements

II.2.5) Award criteria

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

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

Duration in months

120

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

This Framework commenced on the 27th August 2024. The initial term of the Framework is for the period of 4 years from commencement but may be extended, by mutual agreement by 2 increments of 3 years.

II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: No

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: Yes

Description of options

This Framework commenced on the 27th August 2024. The initial term of the Framework is for the period of 4 years from commencement but may be extended, by mutual agreement by 2 increments of 3 years.

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Enhanced Foster Care

Lot No

2

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 85300000 - Social work and related services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKG11 - Herefordshire, County of
- UKG12 - Worcestershire
- UKG13 - Warwickshire
- UKG21 - Telford and Wrekin
- UKG22 - Shropshire CC
- UKG23 - Stoke-on-Trent
- UKG24 - Staffordshire CC
- UKG31 - Birmingham
- UKG32 - Solihull
- UKG33 - Coventry
- UKG36 - Dudley
- UKG37 - Sandwell
- UKG38 - Walsall
- UKG39 - Wolverhampton

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Lot 2 is for the provision of Enhanced Foster Care placements.

II.2.5) Award criteria

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

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

Duration in months

120

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

This Framework commenced on the 27th August 2024. The initial term of the Framework is for the period of 4 years from commencement but may be extended, by mutual agreement by 2 increments of 3 years.

II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: No

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: Yes

Description of options

This Framework commenced on the 27th August 2024. The initial term of the Framework is for the period of 4 years from commencement but may be extended, by mutual agreement by 2 increments of 3 years.

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Specialist Foster Care

Lot No

3

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 85300000 - Social work and related services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKG11 - Herefordshire, County of
- UKG12 - Worcestershire
- UKG13 - Warwickshire
- UKG21 - Telford and Wrekin
- UKG22 - Shropshire CC

- UKG23 - Stoke-on-Trent
- UKG24 - Staffordshire CC
- UKG31 - Birmingham
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- UKG37 - Sandwell
- UKG38 - Walsall
- UKG39 - Wolverhampton

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Lot 3 is for the provision of Specialist Foster Care placements.

II.2.5) Award criteria

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

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

Duration in months

120

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

This Framework commenced on the 27th August 2024. The initial term of the Framework is for the period of 4 years from commencement but may be extended, by mutual agreement by 2 increments of 3 years.

II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: No

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: Yes

Description of options

This Framework commenced on the 27th August 2024. The initial term of the Framework is for the period of 4 years from commencement but may be extended, by mutual agreement by 2 increments of 3 years.

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Parent and Child Foster Care

Lot No

4

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 85300000 - Social work and related services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKG11 - Herefordshire, County of
- UKG12 - Worcestershire
- UKG13 - Warwickshire
- UKG21 - Telford and Wrekin
- UKG22 - Shropshire CC
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II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Lot 4 is for the provision of Parent and Child Foster Care placements.

II.2.5) Award criteria

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

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

Duration in months

120

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

This Framework commenced on the 27th August 2024. The initial term of the Framework is for the period of 4 years from commencement but may be extended, by mutual agreement by 2 increments of 3 years.

II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: No

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: Yes

Description of options

This Framework commenced on the 27th August 2024. The initial term of the Framework is for the period of 4 years from commencement but may be extended, by mutual agreement by 2 increments of 3 years.

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

Date

21 November 2025

Local time

12:00pm

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

English

IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders

Date

21 November 2025

Local time

12:05pm

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: Yes

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Coventry City Council

Coventry

Country

United Kingdom