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**United Kingdom-Carlisle: Social work and related services
2019/S 125-305920**

Contract notice

Services

Legal Basis:

Directive 2014/24/EU

Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

Cumbria County Council
117 Botchergate
Carlisle
CA1 1RD
United Kingdom

Contact person: Supplier Engagement Team
E-mail: supplier.engagement@useadam.co.uk
NUTS code: UKD1

Internet address(es):

Main address: www.cumbria.gov.uk
Address of the buyer profile: <http://demand.sproc.net>

I.2) Information about joint procurement

I.3) Communication

The procurement documents are available for unrestricted and full direct access, free of charge, at: <http://demand.sproc.net>

Additional information can be obtained from the abovementioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via: <https://www.sproc.net>

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:

Any Qualified Provider (AQP) Framework for the Provision of Home Care Services

II.1.2) Main CPV code

85300000

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description:

Social care support during the day for people living in their own homes.

Main place of delivery generally but not exclusively to sites as directed within the area covered by Cumbria CC Departments, it's customers and NHS Cumbria Clinical Commissioning Group and Cumbria Partnership NHS Foundation Trust and any person or successor body replacing NHS Cumbria Clinical Commissioning Group and Cumbria Partnership NHS Foundation Trust in title or in function.

II.1.5) **Estimated total value**

Value excluding VAT: 81 000 000.00 GBP

II.1.6) **Information about lots**

This contract is divided into lots: no

II.2) **Description**

II.2.1) **Title:**

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

II.2.3) **Place of performance**

NUTS code: UKD1

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

An Any Qualified Provider (AQP) 'framework' is to be set up to meet the needs of Social Care support during the day for people living in their own homes. An AQP framework will ensure sufficient capacity to meet demand for clients in Cumbria

The AQP 'framework' approach will appoint multiple organisations capable of delivering the specified service. The providers will be selected at time of need. They will register an interest to a commission, and selected according to published criteria.

Fixed price per unit, please see procurement documents.

II.2.5) **Award criteria**

Criteria below

Quality criterion - Name: All quality criteria are stated only in the procurement documents / Weighting: 100

Price - Weighting: 0

II.2.6) **Estimated value**

Value excluding VAT: 81 000 000.00 GBP

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

Duration in months: 48

This contract is subject to renewal: no

II.2.9) **Information about the limits on the number of candidates to be invited**

Envisaged number of candidates: 999

II.2.10) **Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: no

II.2.11) **Information about options**

Options: no

II.2.12) **Information about electronic catalogues**

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**

Please note that AQP does not limit the number of candidates

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**
- 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
- III.1.5) **Information about reserved contracts**
- III.2) **Conditions related to the contract**
- III.2.1) **Information about a particular profession**
- III.2.2) **Contract performance conditions:**
Refer to procurement documents and contract documents available at <http://demand.sproc.net>
- III.2.3) **Information about staff responsible for the performance of the contract**

Section IV: Procedure

- IV.1) **Description**
- IV.1.1) **Type of procedure**
Restricted procedure
- IV.1.3) **Information about a framework agreement or a dynamic purchasing system**
The procurement involves the establishment of a framework agreement
Framework agreement with several operators
- IV.1.4) **Information about reduction of the number of solutions or tenders during negotiation or dialogue**
- IV.1.6) **Information about electronic auction**
- 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.2.1) **Previous publication concerning this procedure**
- IV.2.2) **Time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate**
Date: 29/08/2023
- IV.2.3) **Estimated date of dispatch of invitations to tender or to participate to selected candidates**
- IV.2.4) **Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted:**
English
- IV.2.6) **Minimum time frame during which the tenderer must maintain the tender**
Duration in months: 6 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)
- IV.2.7) **Conditions for opening of tenders**

Section VI: Complementary information

- VI.1) **Information about recurrence**
This is a recurrent procurement: no
- VI.2) **Information about electronic workflows**
Electronic invoicing will be accepted
Electronic payment will be used
- VI.3) **Additional information:**

Cumbria County Council is fully supportive of all aspects of diversity including ethnicity, race, religion, age, disability and sexual orientation. In this respect Cumbria County Council welcomes expressions of interest from ethnic minority, disabled and other diverse business communities and the voluntary sector. Economic operators are therefore required to fully comply with all statutory obligations/applicable legislation and there will be a requirement to participate in the Authority's supplier audits on all aspects of diversity. The Contracting Authority expressly reserves the right:

(I) not to award any contract as a result of the procurement process commenced by publication of this notice; and

(II) to make whatever changes it may see fit to the content and structure of the tendering competition; and in no circumstances will the Authority be liable for any costs incurred by the candidates. If the Authority decides to enter into a contract with the successful supplier, this does not mean that there is any guarantee of subsequent contracts being awarded. Any expenditure, work or effort undertaken prior to contract award is accordingly a matter solely for the commercial judgement of potential suppliers. The contract is for 4 years. The total value provided is only an estimate. Local Authorities have a duty under the Local Government Act 2003 to obtain best value in the procurement of works, services and supplies and to secure continuous improvement in the way they carry out their functions, having regard to a combination of economy, efficiency and effectiveness. This means that when procuring contracts, the Council will, on a case by case basis, weigh up the costs of the contract against the benefits off their employment terms for contractors employees and any resulting benefit to the Council. There is scope forgiving some weight at the tender evaluation stage to the attitude of contractors, suppliers and some service providers to fair employment clauses and of the Council's fiduciary duty to tax payers and obtaining best value. Each case will be considered separately and flexibly, with any impact on costs fully assessed and justified.

Please note that AQP does not limit the number of candidates.

VI.4) **Procedures for review**

VI.4.1) **Review body**

Her Majesty's Court Service
London
WC2A 2LL
United Kingdom

VI.4.2) **Body responsible for mediation procedures**

VI.4.3) **Review procedure**

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

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The Pinnacle, 170 Midsummer Boulevard
Milton Keynes
MK9 1BP
United Kingdom
E-mail: supplier.engagement@useadam.co.uk
Internet address: <http://demand.sproc.net/>

VI.5) **Date of dispatch of this notice:**

28/06/2019