

United Kingdom-Stafford: Social work and related services

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Contract notice

Services

Directive 2004/18/EC**Section I: Contracting authority**

I.1. Name and addresses

Official name: Staffordshire Procurement

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Internet address(es):General address of the contracting authority: www.staffordshire.gov.uk/purchasing**Additional information can be obtained from:**

the abovementioned address

Specifications and additional documents (including documents for competitive dialogue and a dynamic purchasing system) can be obtained from:

the abovementioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted: the abovementioned address**I.2. Type of the contracting authority**

Regional or local authority

I.3. Main activity

General public services

I.4. Contract award on behalf of other contracting authorities

The contracting authority is purchasing on behalf of other contracting authorities: no

Section II: Object of the contract

II.1. Description**II.1.1. Title attributed to the contract by the contracting authority**

The provision of Self-Advocacy for Young People and Adults with a Learning Disability and/or Autistic Spectrum Condition and/or with Special Educational Needs or Disabilities.

II.1.2. Type of contract and place of performance or delivery

Services

Service category No 25: Health and social services

NUTS code UKG24 Staffordshire CC

II.1.3. Information about a framework agreement or a dynamic purchasing system

The notice involves a public contract

II.1.4. Information about framework agreement

II.1.5. Short description of the contract or purchase(s)

Staffordshire County Council wishes to invite tenders for the provision of Self Advocacy. The purpose of the Service is to enable people who reside in the county of Staffordshire and who are also aged 14 years and over with a Learning Disability and/or Autistic Spectrum Condition and/or aged 14 to 25 years with special educational needs or disabilities (SEND) to speak up for themselves and on behalf of others about the things that are important to them. The objective of the Service is to facilitate a user led service, with local groups that look at local issues; where people with disabilities are (and feel that they are) listened to. The service will facilitate opportunities to be involved and speak up about projects that the Council and NHS are working on and to be kept informed about how their input has shaped the project. There will be Focus Groups on topics of the client groups' choice and opportunities to link up with other client groups and self advocacy groups. The service will use plain language with no jargon or big words and will facilitate alternative ways to express opinions for example (but not limited to) Makaton. The service will ensure timely and accessible communication between groups and the service.

The service will arrange meetings at a suitable time, day and frequency chosen by the client groups, in accessible locations and with consideration of the needs of the clients (e.g. transport).

The service will also offer one to one support sessions so individuals who are not confident in a group session can drop in to discuss specific issues; there will be peer support groups and advocacy buddies to learn from others and offer understanding and support.

If you are interested in tendering for this opportunity, it is essential that you register your interest on the following website:

— <http://www.staffordshire.alito.co.uk/>

Please note:

- This notice is a call for competition in accordance with Directive 2014/24/EU Article 48(2).
- Variant bids are not accepted.
- This contract is not a DPS.
- This contract is not a framework.

The Contract period is for 3 years from 1.4.2016 to 31.3.2018 with the option to extend for 1 year (1.4.2018 to 31.3.2019) and the option to extend for a further 1 year (1.4.2019 to 31.3.2020).

The contract reference is SCHLD00112.

II.1.6. CPV code(s)

85300000 Social work and related services, 98000000 Other community, social and personal services

II.1.7. Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: yes

II.1.8. Lots

This contract is divided into lots: no

II.1.9. Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: no

II.2. Scope of the procurement

II.2.1. Total quantity or scope

Estimated value excluding VAT: 920 000 GBP

II.2.2. Information about options

Options: no

II.2.3. Information about renewals

This contract is subject to renewal: no

II.3. Duration of the contract or time limit for completion

Duration in months: 24 (from the award of the contract)

Section III: Legal, economic, financial and technical information

III.1. Conditions related to the contract

III.1.1. Deposits and guarantees required

III.1.2. Main financing conditions and payment arrangements and/or reference to the relevant provisions governing them

III.1.3. Legal form to be taken by the group of economic operators to whom the contract is to be awarded

III.1.4. Contract performance conditions

The performance of the contract is subject to particular conditions: no

III.2. Conditions for participation

III.2.1. Suitability to pursue the professional activity, including requirements relating to enrolment on professional or trade registers

III.2.2. Economic and financial ability

III.2.3. Technical and professional ability

III.2.4. Information about reserved contracts

III.3. Conditions specific to services contracts

III.3.1. Information about a particular profession

Execution of the service is reserved to a particular profession: no

III.3.2. Information about staff responsible for the performance of the contract

Obligation to indicate the names and professional qualifications of the staff assigned to performing the contract: no

Section IV: Procedure

IV.1. Type of procedure

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Open

IV.1.2. Information about the limits on the number of candidates to be invited

IV.1.3.

Information about reduction of the number of solutions or tenders during negotiation or dialogue

Recourse to staged procedure to gradually reduce the number of solutions to be discussed or tenders to be negotiated no

IV.2. Award criteria

IV.2.1. Award criteria

The most economically advantageous tender in terms of Criteria below

1. Price. Weighting 40
2. Key Performance Indicators and Added Value. Weighting 6
3. Delivering Outcomes. Weighting 12
4. Business Function. Weighting 6
5. Management and Staffing. Weighting 6
6. Quality Assurance. Weighting 6
7. Think Local Act Personal. Weighting 9
8. Client Evaluation. Weighting 15

IV.2.2. Information about electronic auction

An electronic auction will be used: no

IV.3. Administrative information

IV.3.1. File reference number attributed by the contracting authority

SCHLD00112

IV.3.2. Previous publication concerning this procedure

no

IV.3.3. Conditions for obtaining specifications and additional documents or descriptive document

Payable documents: no

IV.3.4. Time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate

20.11.2015 - 14:00

IV.3.5. Estimated date of dispatch of invitations to tender or to participate to selected candidates

IV.3.6. Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted

English.

IV.3.7. Minimum time frame during which the tenderer must maintain the tender

IV.3.8. Conditions for opening of tenders

Persons authorised to be present at the opening of tenders: no

Section VI: Complementary information

VI.1. Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: no

VI.2. Information about European Union funds

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: no

VI.3. Additional information

VI.4. Procedures for review

VI.4.1. Review body

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VI.4.2. Review procedure

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures: The Contracting Authority will incorporate a minimum 10 calendar day standstill period (or 15 days where non-electronic or fax methods are used) at the point that an award decision notice is communicated to tenderers. The award decision notice will specify the criteria for the award of the contract /framework agreement, the reasons for the decision, including the characteristics and relative advantages, the name and score of the successful tender; and will specify when the standstill period is expected to end or the date before which the contracting authority will not conclude the contract/framework agreement. If an appeal regarding the award of a contract/framework agreement has not been successfully resolved, the Public Contracts (Amendment) Regulations 2009 provide for aggrieved parties who have been harmed or are at risk of a breach of the rules to take action in the High Court (England, Wales and Northern Ireland). Any such action must be brought promptly (generally within 3 months). The Court may order the setting aside of the award decision or may order the Contracting Authority to amend any document and may award damages. If a framework agreement has been entered into the Court may make a declaration of ineffectiveness or may order that the duration of any relevant specific contract be shortened and additionally may award damages. The time limit for seeking such a declaration is generally 30 days from notification of the award (either by award decision notification or contract award notice depending upon the circumstances) or otherwise 6 months.

VI.4.3. Service from which information about the review procedure may be obtained

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VI.5. Date of dispatch of this notice

16.10.2015