**Portal Contract Reference:**

**Internal Contract Reference:**

**Contract Title:** LIFT Affordable Workspace

**Expressions of interest start date: 21st July 2023**

**Return of tenders/bids end date: 18th August 2023**

**Initial Contract Duration: 10 years**

**Extensions:**

**Estimated Grant Value (including extensions): £155,000**

**Description:**

Grant opportunity for Workspace Operator Partnership

**Additional Information:**

The Council would like to develop a Ten-Year Partnership with a Workspace Operator that manages Workspace Provision within Tower Hamlets in the following sectors: Technology/Digital, Life Sciences or Creative Production.

This opportunity will provide £155,000 of Capital Investment in the form of a grant for a Workspace Provider to upgrade their existing workspace/bring forward new workspace and in return deliver 500 square metres of workspace for a period of at least ten years.

The funding requirements of this grant will require all capital works to be completed and the space to be operational, delivering at least 500 square metres of space by 31st March 2024. Further outputs relating to supporting businesses, providing space will need to be delivered annually over the duration of the partnership.

We are seeking expressions of interest from workspace providers in line with the requirements set out in the brief for this opportunity.

Organisations wishing to express their interest are requested to **register** on the London Tenders Portal ([www.londontenders.org](https://www.londontenders.org/procontract/supplier.nsf/frm_home?ReadForm)) where the opportunity documentation will be available for download. You will be required to complete an online questionnaire.

Organisations must ensure that access to the system is available to their representatives dealing with the contract and that this contact is updated as and when required.

The council will not be liable for the lack of delegated access within the organisation and will not send any documentation regarding the opportunity, which shall be exclusively available through the portal.

Suppliers are responsible for allowing sufficient time to submit their Application. The Council accepts no liability whatsoever for tenders that are not submitted due to internet connectivity issues, transmission delays or errors.

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If you require any further information prior to submit and expression of interest please contact the Council via email procurement@towerhamlets.gov.uk quoting the contract internal reference number.