**ROYAL BOROUGH OF GREENWICH**

**MARKET WARMING EVENT FOR INVITATION TO TENDER FOR ROYAL BOROUGH OF GREENWICH EMPLOYMENT AND SKILLS FRAMEWORK 2020-24**

Appropriately qualified skills and training organisations are invited to attend a market warming event on 4th March ahead of the planned Invitation to Tender for the Royal Borough of Greenwich’s Skills Framework Agreement 2020-24.

Using anticipated funding from the Council’s own resources, the Greater London Authority and the Education and Skills Funding Agency, Royal Greenwich Council is intending to develop a four-year Framework Agreement with appropriate providers for the procurement of skills and training services.

There is no guarantee of funding for those organisations appointed to the Framework. Contracts for provision of specified services will be commissioned through mini competitions using the Framework.

The Royal Borough of Greenwich has a strong strategic vision for adult skills provision to reduce unemployment and deprivation and ensure residents benefit from the employment and apprenticeship opportunities created through regeneration and improved transport links.

The provision under the Skills Framework Agreementcontributes to these strategic priorities through a broad offer which includes:

* provision for employability to support leaners into work;
* supporting development and progression for individuals in work;
* improving skills for specific employment opportunities;
* supporting healthy, integrated and resilient communities, for examplefamily learning.

The market warming event will be run twice: once in the morning and once in the afternoon of the 4th March. Interested organisations should indicate which session, either morning or afternoon, they wish to attend as capacity is limited.

**When:**

10.00 am -12.00 am Wednesday 4th March 2020 (registration and light refreshments from 9.30 am)

Or

2.00pm- 4.00pm Wednesday 4th March 2020 (registration and light refreshments from 1.30 pm)

**Where:**

The Eltham Centre, 2 Archery Road, Eltham, London SE9 1HA

The aims of the event are:

* To inform participants about the commissioning framework requirements and tendering procedures;
* To inform participants about the documentation proposed for use in the procurement process and how contracts will be managed;
* To enable participants to understand the requirements and priorities of the Education and Skills Funding Agency, Greater London Authority, Royal Borough of Greenwich and Ofsted;
* To enable participants to be better prepared to submit proposals and participate equally in the commissioning procedures.

Please register for the event by midday on Monday 4th March. Please note that there are limits on the number of participants able to attend each workshop. Therefore, there is a maximum of **two** representatives from any one organisation.