TENDER ADVERT

Portal Contract Reference: DN465417
Internal Contract Reference: CS5637
Contract Title: Overnight and related short breaks lot 1 and 2
Initial Contract Duration: 3 years
Extensions: 2 years (1 +1)
Estimated Contract Start: 01/01/2021
Estimated Contract End: 31/12/2023 or 31/12/2025
Estimated Contract Value (including extensions): £5,300,000
Annual Value: £1,060,000

Description:

The Council has a statutory obligation to provide some form of short break or respite provision for children and young people with disabilities.

Lot 1
£530,000 per annum

This contract is for the provision of **overnight and related short breaks for children and young people with autistic spectrum disorder (ASD)** accompanied by server learning disabilities and/or behaviour which is challenging.

The successful service provider will be required to deliver overnight short breaks and other short breaks services that achieve the overall aim of enabling and supporting children and young people with disability to live ordinary family lives and participate in universal activities. The service will also provide families with a short break form their caring responsibilities

The successful service provider will be required to provide services for children and young people with ASD accompanied by server learning disabilities and/or behaviour which is challenging.

The service will be provided for children and young people aged between 5 to 18 for daytime short breaks and 6 to 18 for overnight.

The successful services provider will be required to provide overnight weekend short breaks, day weekend placement, overnight holiday short breaks and two after school clubs delivered in a Ofsted registered residential setting (s) leased by the service provider from the Council.

Lot 2
£530,000 per annum

This contract is for the provision of overnight and related short breaks for children and young people with complex health needs, including those with

physical and/or learning disabilities, those who require palliative care (continuing care) and those with associated sensory impairments as well as children and young people with ASD accompanied by server learning disabilities and/or behaviour which is challenging.

The successful service provider will be required to deliver **overnight short breaks and other short breaks services** that achieve the overall aim of enabling and supporting **children and young people with disability with complex needs and ASD** to live ordinary family lives and participate in universal activities. The service will also provide families with a short break form their caring responsibilities

The successful service provider will be required to provide services for

- Children and young people with complex health needs, including those with physical and/or learning disabilities, those who require palliative care (continuing care) and those with associated sensory impairments
- ASD accompanied by server learning disabilities and/or behaviour which is challenging

The majority of children and young people using the service will be in the first category.

The service will be provided for children and young people aged between 5 to 18 for daytime short breaks and 6 to 18 for overnight. The provider will also need to have the potential to provide overnight short breaks for 18 to 25-year olds on a spot purchase basis (funded by adult services).

Additional Information:

Bidders should note that the Contract relates to services that fall under the "light touch" regime of Regulations 74 to 77 of the Public Contracts Regulations 2015. This Procurement Exercise will therefore be run in accordance with the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 as they apply to "light touch" services. While the Authority is following a process similar to an Open Procedure to set up a Framework Agreement under the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 neither that fact nor any other statements, acts or omissions of the Authority in connection with this Procurement Exercise should be taken as indicating that the Authority intends to be bound by the provisions of the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 or the general principles of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union to any greater extent than applies by law.

Organisations wishing to express their interest are requested to **register** on the London Tenders Portal (www.londontenders.org) where any related documentation and future ITT in regards to this opportunity available for download.

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.

Council is an Equal Opportunities Employer and a supporter of Ethical Governance, our protocol can be found HERE Or via http://www.towerhamlets.gov.uk/

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.