

2324-0351 Islington – Adults Early Intervention and Prevention ‘Wellbeing’¹ Service.

Islington Council invites innovative and dynamic providers, with a strong knowledge of the borough and local presence, to tender for the provision of the Adult Community Early Intervention and Prevention service. The Council is seeking to work with providers who are committed to fairness and share and promote the same CARE principles:

- Collaborative,
- Ambitious,
- Resourceful,
- Efficient.

We want to work with providers who are committed to ensuring Islington residents receive high quality early intervention and prevention support. The Council is proposing to secure a contract with a suitably qualified and experienced provider(s) to provide early intervention and prevention for adults. The Council welcomes single, consortia or lead provider bids. Details of how contracts will be awarded is explained within the procurement documentation.

Background

The Council is committed to early intervention and prevention. In 2023, the Council published the [Fairer Together strategy](#) for early intervention and prevention to meet local ambitions for a more equal future for our residents. It is important that residents are supported at the right time with the right level of support to build on their strengths and maximise resilience, creating a culture of self-help. Early intervention and prevention is the most effective way to improve outcomes for people at all ages. As outlined in our Fairer Together Strategy ‘*We cannot underestimate the power of making connections, both between residents and their communities, and between services to make sure that the resident experience is seamless.*’

The requirement

The Service will provide a comprehensive proactive early intervention and prevention offer which provides information and advice; access to social interactions and community connectedness; and one-to-one enablement support. The service will support adults aged

¹ Service currently known as ‘Wellbeing’ Service

18+ in Islington, with an emphasis on those aged 50+. The service will provide innovative solutions that align with local early intervention and prevention ambitions and maximise resources and links to connect people to the borough’s existing rich and diverse Voluntary Community Sector offer.

Lots

This services contract is not being divided in to lots. A single contract is being sought to ensure a comprehensive service offer.

TUPE [Transfer of Undertakings (Protection of Employment) Regulations]

Potential providers must be aware that TUPE may or may not apply to this service. Further details will be available in the procurement documentation.

Contract Period

The contract will run for a period of 96 months. It is estimated that the contract will start on 1 October 2024 with a break clause option for the Council to terminate the contract by giving 12 months written notice to the service provider at any time after the end of the first year.

Contract Value

The total budget for this contract is estimated to be £3,493,280 for the total duration of the contract based on annual budget for the service of £436,660.

Award criteria

The contract(s) will be awarded to the Most Economically Advantageous Tender (MEAT) in accordance with the Public Contracts Regulations.

Award Criteria	Total
Quality – made up of	80%
Proposed approach to service delivery model	20%
Proposed approach to partnerships and service innovation	15%

Proposed approach to engagement and co-production	15%
Proposed approach to quality assurance, management, and performance outcomes	10%
Proposed approach to Social Value	20%
Cost	20%
Total	100%

Procurement Process

As the value of the contract is above the threshold for wider advertising of the opportunity, a Contract Notice will be published on Contracts Finder and Find a Tender (FTS).

This procurement is being conducted in accordance with the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 (the PCR). The procurement is subject to the 'light-touch regime' under Section 7 Social and Other Specific Services of Part 2 of the PCR. Under Regulation 76 the Council is free to establish a procedure, provided that the procedure is sufficient to ensure compliance with the principles of transparency and equal treatment of economic operators (service providers) and is initiated by a contract notice. The procedure the council has designed is based on the open procedure. All economic operators (service providers) who successfully express an interest will automatically have access to the tender documents. Standard pre-selection questions will be part of the tender response and will need to be passed before evaluation of price and quality aspects.

How to submit tender bid?

If you wish to submit a bid for this contract please follow the steps below:

Register your company free of charge via the [London Tenders Portal](#).

Await acceptance. You will receive an email confirming your username and password.

Use your username and password to log into the London Tenders Portal and express your interest in: 2324-0351 Islington – Adults Early Intervention and Prevention 'Wellbeing' Service 85000000 Health and Social Work Services.

Shortly after you have expressed interest, you will receive a second email containing a link to access the tender documents.

Deadlines

The deadline for expressions of interest is: 11.59am on Monday 29 April 2024

The deadline for submission of Tender documents by: 12 noon on Monday 29 April 2024

Late submissions may not be accepted.

Additional information

- Islington Council and its partners are committed to work towards a 'Fairer Islington', for more information see www.islington.gov.uk.

Please **do not** include any publicity material with your submissions.

- The Council encourages all types of organisation who meet the qualitative selection criteria including Voluntary and Community Sector (VCS) organisations, Social Enterprises or not for profit enterprises and small to medium enterprises (SME) to tender.
- Your submission will be marked in stages. Only applicants who meet the requirements at each stage will progress to the next stage. Further details will be contained in the tender documents.
- Please include the Contract Number of this tender when communicating with the Council in any way.
- All questions relating to this opportunity should be raised via the question and answer section of the relevant opportunity on the London Tenders Portal. Please do not contact any officer of the council directly.
- Applicants are advised that all costs incurred either directly or indirectly in preparation, submission or otherwise related to this advertisement will be borne by them, and in no circumstances will the council be responsible for any such costs. Applicants are also advised that the council at its sole discretion acting reasonably and in good faith reserves the right to abandon the procurement at any stage prior to contract award.
- As part of a commitment to transparency the council is now publishing all spend over £5000 each month. This includes spend on contracts, so the successful contractor should expect details of spend to appear on the council website [Islington Council: Council contracts](#). The council is also committed to publishing tender and contract documentation after contract award stage. Commercially sensitive information will be

redacted from documentation. What constitutes commercially sensitive information is a matter for the council's sole discretion. However, tenderers will be invited to identify information they consider to be commercially sensitive in their tender return and this will be taken into account in the council forming a view.