**Specialist Smoking Cessation Service Supplier Event**

1. Notice for Pro-Contract

The London Borough of Bromley is commissioning a Specialist Smoking Cessation Service for adults and young people. The intention is to appoint one specialist provider to deliver this service.

The Specialist Stop Smoking Service will include behavioural support alongside the provision of appropriate medication to address nicotine addiction and other evidence-based aids e.g., vapes. Behaviour support should be available via a variety of methods to suit the client and include face to face, telephone, and digital options.

A pilot Stop Smoking Service, Smokefree Bromley has been in place since January 2024. This commenced after 8 years without a specialist smoking cessation service in Bromley. An expansive communication strategy is therefore required for residents and stakeholders as well as proactive outreach to engage targeted populations with higher rates of smoking. Facilitating and promoting training, as well as involvement in prevention strategies will also be required.

The Council’s vision is that residents in Bromley will be able to receive quality smoking cessation services in a timely manner, in a suitable location, that are easy and convenient to access. The Council would like to improve local access through innovative proposals, the development of partnerships and referral and care pathways with key services to enable responsive care for service users throughout the life of the contract.

The Specialist Smoking Cessation Service contract will start on 1st April 2025 with an initial term of 4 years.

We would like to invite organisations who are interested in providing a Specialist Smoking Cessation service in Bromley to a Supplier Event on the date shown at the end of this notice We welcome single providers, joint bidders, and collaborators.

The primary aim of this supplier event is to assist commissioners to understand the market and the options available in order to deliver the outcomes and effectively plan for the forthcoming procurement. The Council is looking for organisations to maximise the best possible public health outcomes through innovative thinking, best practice, new ideas and efficient and effective delivery models, including new ways of working with our partners in a local system wide approach to addressing nicotine dependence.

To this end, the purpose of the session is to:

* Present an outline of the requirements and outcomes of the proposed model
* Explore supplier responses to our suggested delivery model to influence our future procurement
* Explore supplier interest in the proposed procurement
* Share timelines for commissioning and procurement
* Outline the local procurement process

Please note that this will be a soft market testing exercise and will not formally begin the procurement or constitute any commitment by the London Brough of Bromley. The outcome of this event will inform anoptions appraisal with recommendations. Further detailed reports will be prepared as appropriate in accordance with Bromley Council’s tender and approval procedures, and in accordance with the Procurement Regulations. Potential participants will not be prejudiced by any response or failure to respond to the Supplier Event. Potential participants must also note that a response to this request does not guarantee an invitation to participate in this or any future procurement that the Council may conduct. Any procurement for the supply of these services by LBB will be carried out strictly in accordance with the Health Care Services (Provider Selection Regime) 2023.

Providers with experience of delivering these types of services are invited to attend a supplier engagement event on:

Date: Tuesday 25th June at 9.30am – 11.30am

This will be an on-line event on Microsoft Teams.

Kindly register your interest on Pro-Contract by Thursday 20th June 2024 by returning the attached Registration Form via the message function on ProContract.

An invitation to the event will be emailed to registered delegates via the e-tendering portal