**Overview**

**4595 - Provision of Home Care and Rapid Response Services**

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| In compliance with the new Public Contracts Regulations 2015, which incorporate the Lord Young Reforms relating to the use of Pre-Qualification Questionnaires (PQQs), the Council is now required to include standard sections (as stipulated by Crown Commercial Services) within its PQQ document. The PQQ available for this contract is in this new format.  Additionally, as defined in the regulations, the Council is required to make available all related Procurement and Contract Documents at this time.  **Please note that only the Pre-Qualification Questionnaire and its associated documents are required to be submitted at this stage, other available documentation is provided for information only.**  **After evaluation of submitted PQQ’s the Council will issue the formal Invitation to Tender (ITT) request to successful applicants, which will include final versions of tender documentation.** |

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| 1. **Contract period**   The contracts for the Provision of Home Care and Rapid Response Services will be for an initial period of three years from the anticipated contract start date of, 1st April 2016, with the ability to extend for a further period / periods of up to 24 months  The contract period for the framework Provision of Home Care Services ,will be in place for a period of four years   1. **Evaluation of tenders at Invitation to Tender stage of the procurement process**   Applicants who are successful in meeting the minimum quality threshold for the Pre – Qualification (PQQ) part of this tender and meeting all mandatory requirements will be invited to partake in the next stage of the tender process, the Invitation to Tender (ITT)  The ratio to be applied when evaluating ITT returns will be 100% Non-commercial (Quality). This ratio will be applied by awarding 100% to the highest quality scoring bid then applying a percentage score to other bids relative to their ranking against this.   1. **Price and Price review** |

All prices will be fixed for 1 year from the anticipated contract start date of 1st April 2016.

Any price increase in years two and three will be considered as per Clause C1.1 of the attached Terms and Conditions

**4 Framework**

Framework membership will be awarded on the basis of a bidder scoring a minimum of 60% for the non-commercial (quality) element of their ITT tender submission. Successful framework providers will be ranked in order of their quality score with the highest score ranked number one, the second highest score ranked number two, and so on.

When a requirement becomes available, Bexley Council will approach providers in the order of their ranking until they identify a provider who is able to meet the requirement within the necessary timescale.

For larger requirements a mini-completion may be conducted, where all members of the framework will be invited to tender.

Bexley Council reserves the right to approach providers in a different order to the ranking if there are specific requirements for the placement or any other requirement deemed significant by the Council.