

APPENDIX C

Your Trust Charity (Sandwell & West Birmingham Hospitals NHS Trust Charities)

Specification Document for Midland Metropolitan University Hospital Sculpture

PROJECT REFERENCE : CF -14752

Closing date for receipt of completed proposals is 12pm on Thursday 20th April 2023.

Midland Metropolitan University Hospital Sculpture - Specification

1. Brief

Your Trust Charity, the registered charity of Sandwell and West Birmingham NHS Trust (SWB), require a provider to design, fabricate and install an inspirational sculpture for the Midland Metropolitan University Hospital providing a welcoming image of strength and valor. The sculpture will feature a figure that hints at Florence Nightingale's "Lady with the Lamp" not only reflective of the parallels between the strife of healthcare workers during the war and during covid but also hinting at the guiding light illuminating the way and providing security for those battling ill health.

The piece will be empowering, with the figure standing atop a stylised kite shield base, showing the brave work of healthcare professionals on the frontline in the fight against covid-19 and the subsequent healthcare emergency. They went into the covid pandemic with little personal protection and in effect without a shield. The piece will be free of race, colour and creed reflecting the diversity of the UK and more specifically the intense diversity of the area surrounding the hospital.

The piece will be enriching, offering some recognition and thanks to the hospital staff working tirelessly but also to the patients and families attending the hospital bringing some light into what may be difficult visits.

2. Specification

Aesthetics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● The finished piece will have a seamless finish commensurate with other similar public pieces. A patina will be applied to the surface of the metal to improve durability of the piece. ● The sculpture will replicate the design model as photographed and previously provided. As closely as possible. ● It will be welded together to appear seamless. Quality commensurate with other public pieces. ● A patina will be applied, the choice of finish will be made in conjunction with the commissioning team.
Size	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● The finished piece will be three metres tall.
Purpose	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● To create a high-quality sculpture that captures the emotion and significance of a moment in time that affected the population of the world. ● It will offer a sense of peace and tranquillity and be a celebration of the endeavours of the NHS and frontline workers and a place to reflect. ● It will act as an enduring thank you to the medical staff not just for their support through the Covid pandemic but also for the support and care healthcare workers provide every day of the year.
Safety	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Rams and risk assessment will be completed in conjunction with SWB NHS Trust.

Material	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● The piece will be fabricated from steel sheet of appropriate thickness for the scale of the piece and will have internal bracing.
Maintenance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● It will require minimal maintenance - Either lightly waxing once a year or no maintenance at all which will result in a patina that changes over years and decades gradually darkening and ending up a very dark green ● It will be suitable to be outside in all weather conditions.
Groundwork and Installation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● The groundworks will be completed by the SWB NHS Trust. ● The sculpture will be secured using chemical anchors secured into holes drilled into the concrete pad by the hospital's contractors. ● The sculpture will be installed under the covered canopy of the main entrance. ● The piece will be installed from December 2023. (This is dependent upon an appropriate start date being agreed)
Personalisation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Through collaboration with medical staff. A tangible sense of their thoughts and feelings will be onboarded. ● The sculpture is named "Hope" This is an emotion that all needing hospital care will relate to. ● The medics reported collecting data to provide each other with Hope and to ensure that the positive impact of their work was more tangible. This will be a physical representation of this data and hope.

3. Proposal value

A maximum cost of £42,500 including VAT to create a three-metre-tall sculpture.

4. Experience

It is expected that all applicants have extensive experience of similar past works, which must be demonstrable.

5. Timescale

Providers will be required to submit their proposals by 12pm on Thursday 20th April 2023 . A selection process will look to conclude on Wednesday 26th April 2023. Delivery of consultancy support and advice will commence as soon as possible after the successful applicant has been appointed.

6. Additional information

- Your Trust Charity Annual Accounts 2021-22 - download [here](#)