**THE ROYAL BOROUGH OF KENSINGTON AND CHELSEA**

**AUTOMATED PUBLIC CONVENIENCES**

**SUPPLY AND MAINTENANCE CONTRACT**

**2020 – 2040**

**INSTRUCTIONS TO PARTIES WISHING TO EXPRESS INTEREST**

The Royal Borough of Kensington and Chelsea (‘the Authority’) is engaging in this pre-market consultation in order to determine whether it is possible to hold a genuine competition amongst suitably qualified providers.

Please carefully read the Service Description contained in the attachment area. If you believe that you can provide the services as described, please answer the question in the Qualification Envelope contained in the Invitation to Tender on capitalEsourcing.

You must answer the question by uploading an attachment describing in general terms how you would provide the services and in particular how you would ensure the supply of fully operational facilities.

You are NOT required to provide a lot of detail. The Authority will contact all suppliers who affirm that they would be able to perform the Contract and invite them individually to engage in further exploratory discussion.

Please note that it will be the responsibility of any incoming service provider to ascertain the applicability of, and the extent of any liability arising from, the Transfer of Undertakings (Protection of Employment) (TUPE) Regulations (as amended).

It is always the Authority’s preferred option to subject the award of contracts to competitive tender and, if this is possible, a separate procurement exercise will take place towards the end of 2019.

However, in the event that no interest is expressed from services providers or the Authority, using its legitimate discretion, determines that no service providers capable of performing the contract have come forward, the Authority will exercise its right under Regulation 32(2)(a) of the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 to use the Negotiated Procedure without prior Publication in order to award the Contract.

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