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Thank you for your Freedom of Information request dated 11 November 2024, for information about City of Doncaster Council's use of the RM6281 Workforce Alliance framework, specifically about Lot 4 (Social Services).

Please find below City of Doncaster Council's responses to the questions you have raised.

Request:

"Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, I am seeking information on the council's use of the RM6281 Workforce Alliance framework, specifically about Lot 4 (Social Services). Please respond to the following questions:

1. Framework Usage Confirmation:

- Does the council use the RM6281 framework or Total Workforce Solutions HTE specifically for social services needs under Lot 4?

2. Current Approved Suppliers (Lot 4 - Social Services):

- How many suppliers are currently approved to supply social services under Lot 4 in the RM6281 framework as of 30th October 2024?

3. Preferred Supplier List (PSL) for Social Services:

- Could you provide the names of all agencies on the council's Preferred Supplier List (PSL) for Lot 4 under RM6281, along with the respective tiers or rankings assigned to each?

4. Onboarding Process for Suppliers:

- What is the process for new suppliers to join the council's PSL under Lot 4 of RM6281?
- Are there specific criteria or requirements that agencies must meet to be approved for social services provision?

5. Contact Information for Onboarding:

- Please provide the name, role, and contact details (email and postal address) of the individual responsible for onboarding or coordinating new suppliers under Lot 4 (Social Services) of RM6281.

6. Areas of Demand and Unmet Demand:

- What specific areas of social services (within Lot 4) does the council currently have high demand or unmet demand?
- Are there specific roles or services within Lot 4 that the council urgently needs to fill?

7. Turnaround Time for Supplier Sign-Up:

- What is the expected turnaround time from initial contact to full onboarding for new suppliers under Lot 4 (Social Services)?
- How quickly could an approved framework supplier begin providing services if they meet the necessary criteria?

8. Framework Adherence and Compliance:

- Has the council fully transitioned to using RM6281 for all social services staffing needs?
- Can the council confirm adherence to the guidance provided in Framework Schedule 7 for selecting and managing suppliers?

9. Supplier Selection Process:

- o Does the council use Direct Award or Further Competition to select suppliers for Lot 4 social services?
- o What specific criteria are used to assess and select suppliers, and is the Most Economically Advantageous Tender (MEAT) principle applied?

10. Audit Trail for Contract Awards:

- o Could you provide documentation or an outline of the audit trail for how contract awards are made under RM6281 for Lot 4 (Social Services)?
- o This should align with the RM6281 Framework Schedule 7, emphasizing transparency, fair selection, and a documented process for contract awards.

11. Neutral or Master Vendor Information (if applicable):

- o If the council outsources to a neutral or master vendor for social services, please provide the vendor's name, contact person, email, and office address.

12. Clarification on FOI Response:

- o We have reviewed the council's FOI resources but could not locate this information. If any part of these questions is unclear or incomplete, we kindly request a full response or guidance on where to find the relevant information."

Response:

City of Doncaster Council do not hold this information. The framework you are referring to is an NHS Workforce Alliance Clinical & Healthcare Staffing Framework.

I hope that this information is useful to you.

City of Doncaster Council estimates that it has cost £49.00 to respond to this request for information.

Reviewing any decisions made:

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