

**COMMUNITY RIGHT TO CHALLENGE**

**EXPRESSION OF INTEREST**

**Introduction**

The Localism Act 2011 (the Act) introduced a right for relevant bodies to submit an expression of interest (EOI) in taking over the provision of a service on behalf of the Isle of Wight Council (the council). Where a valid EOI is accepted, the council is required to undertake a procurement exercise, which may lead to the council awarding a contract for the provision of that service.

The purpose of this form is to assist you in submitting an Expression of Interest under Part 5, Chapter 2 of the Act.

Please read the statutory guidance and the information on the council’s website about the Community Right to Challenge before completing this EOI.

**Freedom of Information Act 2000**

The Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) applies to the council and therefore information provided may have to be disclosed by the council in response to a request unless the council decides that one of the statutory exemptions applies.

Any information you provide will remain confidential and will not be disclosed to any other party except where required either for official audit purposes or it is deemed subject to the FOIA as detailed above.

**Submitting an EOI**

It is recommended that you use this form to submit your EOI although you are not obliged to do so. Using this form will assist you to ensure sufficient information is provided for the council to evaluate your proposal.

Your EOI together will all supporting documentation must be submitted to:

Procurement & Contract Management Unit

Isle of Wight Council

County Hall

High Street

Newport

Isle of Wight

PO30 1UD

Or by email to: righttochallenge@iow.gov.uk

**Evaluating EOIs**

When the invitation period has closed the council will follow the process set out overleaf to consider the EOI.

Body completes and submits EOI.

EOI is received and acknowledged by Procurement and Contract Management Unit (PCMU). Initial checks carried out within 5 working days.

Is EOI complete - Yes

EOI passed to Strategic Manager PCMU and relevant Head of Service for validation within 15 working days of receiving EOI from PCMU.

Is EOI complete - No

EOI will be rejected within 5 working days of initial check being completed. No further action is required.

Is EOI valid – Yes

Strategic Manager and Head of Service complete assessment of EOI within 20 working days of completing validation.

On completion of assessment Head of Service recommends to Corporate Management Team whether EOI should be (a) accepted; or (b) rejected; or (c) modified.

Decision of Corporate Management Team will be discussed with relevant Executive Member within 5 working days and then submitted for Executive approval. This will go to the next available Executive meeting, dates of which can be viewed here: [www.iwight.com/Meetings/current/.](https://www.iwight.com/Meetings/current/)

Is EOI accepted – No

Body is notified of rejection of EOI within 10 working days of decision.

Is EOI accepted – No unless modified

Body is notified within 10 working days of decision that the Council is minded to reject EOI and invites body to modify EOI.

Is EOI accepted - Yes

Body is notified of acceptance of EOI within 10 working days of decision and that the procurement exercise will be triggered.

Decision of Directors’ Team will be discussed with relevant Cabinet Member

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| **DETAILS OF THE RELEVANT BODY** **Please note:** Relevant bodies may submit an EOI in partnership with one or more organisations which are not required to meet the definition of a relevant body.  |
| Relevant body/organisation, or if not an organisation, the full name(s) of those making this EOI: |  |
| If a consortium or sub-contracting arrangement is being proposed, please identify the lead body: |  |
| Contact name and email address for enquiries about this EOI: |  |
| Address/registered office: |  |
| Telephone number: |  |
| Please indicate how you meet the definition of a relevant body:  | Voluntary/community body |  |
| Parish Council |  |
| Charitable body |  |
| Two/more employees of the council |  |
| Other (please specify)  |  |
| Company and/or charity registered number (if this applies):  |  |

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| **FINANCIAL RESOURCE****Please note:** If an EOI is being submitted by a Relevant Body as part of a consortium or with sub-contractors, this section of the EOI must be completed and submitted for **all** the members of the consortium or sub-contracting arrangement. |
| Do you have accounts for the last three financial years?If yes, please provide a copy. | Yes/No |
| Do you have a statement of profit and loss, turnover and cash flow and balance sheet for your last year or part year of trading?If yes, please provide a copy of each. | Yes/No |
| If requested, would you be able to provide a banker’s reference? | Yes/No |
| If none of the information requested above is available please detail how, by the time of any procurement exercise, the relevant body and if appropriate the consortium members and/or sub-contractors will obtain funding to support its venture/the delivery of services. |
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| Please provide any other information that supports your financial sustainability. This could include a business plan, sources of funding etc. |
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| **SUB CONTRACTING AND CONSORTIA**If you intend working with other organisations to deliver this service you are advised to complete the table below, providing details of each organisation, their role in delivering the service and the intended relationship between you (as the lead body) and the organisation(s) listed.  |
| Please indicate which applies: |
| (a) | You are the lead body and intend to use third parties to provide some services (sub-contracting) | Yes/No |
| (b) | You are a consortium  | Yes/No |
| (c) | You are the lead body of a consortium which is not yet formed | Yes/No |
| (d) | You are a member of a consortium or a sub-contractor to the lead body | Yes/No |
| If relevant please list below the names of the other consortium members/sub-contractors and which elements, and how much of the service they would be responsible for delivering. |
| Consortium members/sub-contractors | Elements of the service and how much (%) they will deliver directly  |
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| **THE SERVICE**This section of the EOI is to be completed by the lead body. If the lead body proposes to work as part of a consortium or with sub-contractors, it should detail how it proposes that arrangement will work.  |
| Please describe the service you would like to take over and if appropriate the geographical area. Your description should be clear and contain sufficient detail to enable the council to identify the relevant service and area.  |
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| Please detail your proposal for providing this service. Your proposal should cover:* How you will promote or improve the social, economic or environmental well- being of the Isle of Wight and its peoples (Section 83(8) of the Act);
* How you will meet the needs of service users;
* Why you consider you and any members of your consortium or sub-contractors are suitable to provide or assist in providing the service;
* Supporting evidence of how you and any members of your consortium or sub-contractors will be capable of providing or assisting in the provision of the service by the time of any procurement exercise;
* Any other information to support your proposal.
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| Please provide information about the outcomes you expect to achieve in providing the service and how you will measure these outcomes. |
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| If you are two or more council employees submitting an EOI, please provide details of your proposed engagement with those staff affected by your proposal. |
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| **DECLARATION**  |
| (1) We certify that the information included in this EOI is true to the best of our knowledge and belief.(2) We accept the conditions relating to the Freedom of Information Act 2000.(3) We certify that we have not and undertake that we will not at any time offer, agree to pay, pay or give any sum of money, inducement or valuable consideration directly or indirectly to any person for doing or having done or causing or having caused to be done any act or omission in relation to this EOI.(4) We certify that to the best of our knowledge, this EOI and any accompanying information supplied, complies with the requirements of the Community Right to Challenge under the Localism Act 2011 and any subsequent regulations.  |
| **EXPRESSION OF INTEREST COMPLETED BY** |
| Name: |  |
| Name of relevant body: |  |
| Position (Job Title): |  |
| Date: |  |
| Telephone number: |  |
| Signature:  |  |