

Invitation for an Expression of Interest for a Review of Training, Development and Learning for the Fire Services in the South East Region

The South East Fire and Rescue Services Regional Management Board invites applications for inclusion in a list of tenderers to provide consultancy to support the implementation of an Integrated Workforce Learning, Development and Training Strategy within the South East region. The project will identify the potential to achieve improved efficiency and facilitate harmonisation of Learning, Development and Training policies and procedures and ensure that the constituent Authorities meet the needs of a modernised fire and rescue workforce.

The successful contractor will be required to provide evidence of a thorough, objective review of Learning, Development and Training for the fire and rescue services in the area. They will also need to produce recommendations as to how the workforce can best be developed to meet the demands of their changing roles. Our intention is to start the contract in early April 2006. Full details of the project are set out in the specification, a copy of which is to be provided with the Pre-Qualification Questionnaire. Interested parties are requested to complete this questionnaire and submit it to the following address by the deadline of **12 noon on 6 January 2006**.

Mr Andrew Vallance, Authority Treasurer, Royal Berkshire Fire and Rescue Service, 103, Dee Rd, Tilehurst, Reading, RG30 4FS

Requests for copies of the pre-qualification questionnaire should be made in writing (preferably by email) to: simmondss@rbfrs.co.uk.

Short listed applicants will be invited to submit their tenders by 13 February 2006. The contract will be awarded to the successful contractor based on the most advantageous tender received, as assessed according to the criteria listed in the Instructions to Tenderers.

This advertisement is also available on the Royal Berkshire Fire and Rescue Service website: www.rbfrs.co.uk.

