

Request for Tender

Supply and Installation of a Therapeutic Garden Pod - Rape Crisis Midwest

1. Introduction

Rape Crisis Midwest invites tenders from suitably qualified and experienced contractors for the supply, delivery, and installation of a **purpose-built garden pod** to be used as a therapeutic space. The pod will be installed on the grounds of our premises in Limerick City.

Scope of Work

The successful contractor will be responsible for:

- Supply and delivery of a prefabricated garden pod (minimum internal size: 20 square meters).
- Site preparation, including levelling and construction of a base (if required).
- Installation of the garden pod in compliance with safety and building standards.
- Full electrical installation, including:
 - Soft, dimmable lighting
 - Multiple sockets
 - Connection to mains power
- High-grade insulation for year-round use.
- Installation of an energy-efficient heating system and ventilation.
- Finishes suitable for a therapeutic setting (soundproofing and calming, neutral interiors).
- Ensuring compliance with all relevant building, safety, and accessibility standards.
- Removal of all waste and debris generated during works.
- Providing a **minimum 5-year warranty** for the structure and installation.

Optional Enhancements (if possible):

- Enhanced soundproofing.
- Accessible ramp or decking.
- Data cabling/Wi-Fi booster installation.

• Landscaping around the pod to create a therapeutic environment.

3. Site Location

The pod will be installed at:

Address: Phoenix House, Punches Close, Rosbrien Road, Limerick, V94EoO8. **Access:** The premises operates Monday - Saturday and has limited vehicle access; all works must be scheduled to minimise disruption to client services.

4. Technical Specifications

- Minimum internal floor area: TBC
- Materials: Durable, low-maintenance, weather-resistant, and sustainable materials preferred.
- Insulation: High-quality for a comfortable and private space.
- Windows/Doors: Double-glazed and lockable, to ensure safety, energy efficiency, and confidentiality.
- Electrical: Minimum of 4 sockets and soft lighting.
- Heating: Low-noise, energy-efficient heating system.
- Acoustic performance: The design must reduce external noise and protect confidentiality.

Contractors are encouraged to propose innovative and trauma-sensitive solutions that enhance comfort, safety, and privacy.

5. Programme and Key Dates

• Tender Issue Date: 01.08.2025

• Deadline for Clarifications: 12.09.2025

• Tender Submission Deadline: 26.09.2025

• Evaluation and Selection: October 2025

Anticipated Installation Date: Q2 2026

6. Submission Requirements

Tenders must include:

- Company profile and previous experience with similar projects.
- Detailed technical proposal and design drawings (if available).
- Project timeline and delivery schedule.
- Full cost breakdown (supply, installation, VAT) estimated value €55,000
- Evidence of insurance and relevant health & safety qualifications.
- At least two references from similar installations.
- Submissions should be sent by email to: recruitment@rapecrisis.ie with the subject "Tender Submission RCM Garden Pod"

7. Evaluation Criteria

Proposals will be assessed using the following criteria:

- **Price**: 35%

- Design quality and technical compliance: 30%

- Ability to deliver a confidential, trauma-sensitive therapeutic space: 20%

- Experience and sustainability: 15%

Evaluation Matrix

Criterion	Weighting (%)
Price	35%
Design quality & compliance	30%
Confidential, trauma-sensitive design	20%
Experience & sustainability	15%

8. Terms and Conditions

- Issuing of this tender does not commit Rape Crisis Midwest to accept any submission.
- Rape Crisis Midwest reserves the right to withdraw or amend the tender at any time.
- Late submissions will not be considered.
- The contractor is responsible for ensuring full compliance with all statutory requirements.

9. Contact for Clarifications

All queries regarding this tender must be addressed to:

Contact: Siobhán O Leary Email: siobhan@rapecrisis.ie

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