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## **Short Breaks for Disabled Children**

Cheshire East Borough Council

F02: Contract notice

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### **Section I: Contracting authority**

#### **I.1) Name and addresses**

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**NUTS code**

UKD62 - Cheshire East

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<http://www.cheshireeast.gov.uk/>

Buyer's address

<http://www.cheshireeast.gov.uk/>

**I.3) Communication**

The procurement documents are available for unrestricted and full direct access, free of charge, at

<https://www.the-chest.org.uk/>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

<https://www.the-chest.org.uk/>

**I.4) Type of the contracting authority**

Regional or local authority

**I.5) Main activity**

General public services

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**Section II: Object**

**II.1) Scope of the procurement**

**II.1.1) Title**

## Short Breaks for Disabled Children

Reference number

DN516754

### **II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 85000000 - Health and social work services

### **II.1.3) Type of contract**

Services

### **II.1.4) Short description**

Cheshire East Council is seeking to commission a number of providers to deliver short breaks for carers of disabled children, forming a continuum of services as part of the 'Cheshire East Local Offer'. Short breaks focus on early intervention and prevention, supporting the development of innovative solutions to best meet the needs of children in need and their families. Interventions should be designed to promote independence, life skills and improve the health and wellbeing of individuals and their families, preventing the escalation of needs thereby reducing demand on social care and health services.

Short breaks come in all shapes and sizes, each one can last from a few hours to a few days – from daytime and evenings to weekend and activities, they provide disabled children and young people with:

- Positive and safe things to do and places to go
- The opportunity to spend time with friends, to develop personally and socially, and reduce isolation
- The chance to undertake new activities and have new experiences

They can take place in a community setting, the child's own home, the home of an approved carer or in a residential setting.

They provide parents and families of disabled children and young people with a necessary and valuable break from their caring responsibilities.

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### **II.1.6) Information about lots**

This contract is divided into lots: No

## **II.2) Description**

### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UKD62 - Cheshire East

### **II.2.4) Description of the procurement**

The Council is looking to commission a range of short breaks for disabled children (aged 0 to 18) and their families who are resident in Cheshire East, in various settings and of various lengths ranging from a couple of hours to a half/full day session, provided after school, at weekends and in school holidays. All services will be operational from the 1st June 2021; the providers will be expected to deliver a range of activities for a range of disabilities and ages, including:

- Regular activities weekly, fortnightly or monthly during term time and/or school holidays. Offered during weekends, after school and/or in school holidays
- Provide services that enable children to enjoy a range of experiences that help prevent needs from increasing and more specialist services becoming necessary.
- Offer creative, educational, fun and positive activities to promote well being and independence
- Provide a safe and stimulating environment for children to play, learn and develop freely, either within the community or at suitable venues in the borough
- Provide opportunities for children and young people away from their primary carers
- Offer inclusive services at a time to suit, that are flexible to meet individual circumstances, therefore being accessible to all
- Examples of this provision include, but are not limited to: group based social or youth clubs, sports and activity sessions, drama and arts classes, residential breaks, social and educational skills groups and 1:1 support
- 1:1 support for disabled children and young people to access local community based universal social and leisure activities that they would not otherwise be able to participate in. Examples of this type of support include supported activities in universal settings, 'Buddy' schemes

- Respond to individual needs and overcome barriers for access

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#### **II.2.5) Award criteria**

Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

#### **II.2.7) Duration of the contract, framework agreement or dynamic purchasing system**

Duration in months

60

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

Full contract term - 01/06/2021 – 31/05/2026 (5 years)

Initial term 01/06/2021 – 31/05/2024 (3 years)

plus 2 x 12 months options to extend.

#### **II.2.10) Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: No

#### **II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: No

#### **II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds**

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

#### **II.2.14) Additional information**

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## **Section IV. Procedure**

### **IV.1) Description**

#### **IV.1.1) Type of procedure**

Open procedure

#### **IV.1.8) Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)**

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

### **IV.2) Administrative information**

#### **IV.2.2) Time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate**

Date

18 February 2021

Local time

2:00pm

#### **IV.2.4) Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted**

English

#### **IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders**

Date

18 February 2021

Local time

2:00pm

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.1) Information about recurrence**

This is a recurrent procurement: Yes

### **VI.4) Procedures for review**

#### **VI.4.1) Review body**

The Royal High Courts of Justice

The Strand

LONDON

WC2A 2LL

Country

United Kingdom