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Tender

Housing Support Linked to Short term Accommodation with Emergency Provision for Young People for Cumberland

Cumberland Council

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Scope

Description

Cumberland Council is procuring Housing Support Linked to Short term Accommodation with Emergency Provision for Young People for Cumberland. The Service Provider(s) will deliver packages of person centred, individualised support that is linked to accommodation for Cumberland Young People who are in housing need, including the ability for Young People to access emergency accommodation provision when needed to enable the Authority to meet the following key aims:

Meet the requirements of its statutory obligations, achieve Cumberland Council plan priorities, including but not limited to: prevention and early intervention, addressing inequalities, driving change, accessible and trusted services and the central aim of improving Health and Wellbeing.

The council proposes to enter into the contract for an initial term of 1 year or 12 months with the successful tenderer. There is the potential for a contract extension of up to 12 months depending on both the success in achieving the required outcomes and availability of further funding. It is up to the council whether or not to implement these optional extensions.

If the contract runs for the initial term only it will end on 31st March 2027.

The contract value for the initial term is £336,552 excl VAT.

If the council implements the 12 months optional extension, the contract will end on 31st March 2028.

The contract value for the initial term, the optional extension periods and the potential uplifts is £689,931.60 excluding VAT.

This figure is indicative only as the extension periods and uplifts are not guaranteed and a maximum estimation has been included for void payments (potential providers should note the inclusion of estimated void cost significantly inflates the total contract value including the initial term)

If the council implements an extension or uplift, this will be confirmed with the successful supplier in advance.

If the services to be provided are VAT exempt then VAT cannot be charged by the successful supplier.

For further details and to access the tender documents use our online procurement portal, The Chest <https://www.the-chest.org.uk>

You must be registered on The Chest to be able to view the opportunity and submit a tender. Registration is free.

Ensure you read and understand the Invitation to Tender (ITT) and its appendices before completing the tender documents.

Clarification questions can be asked on The Chest messaging section.

You should take note of the deadlines in the Procurement Timetable, which is in the ITT.

All bids must be received electronically via The Chest by the deadline stated in the Invitation to Tender (ITT).

Any clarifications about the tender must be sent via messaging on The Chest by the deadline stated in the ITT.

Total value (estimated)

- £689,931.60 excluding VAT

- £827,917.92 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Contract dates (estimated)

- 1 April 2026 to 31 March 2027
- Possible extension to 31 March 2028
- 2 years

Description of possible extension:

If the council implements the 12 months optional extension, the contract will end on 31st March 2028.

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Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 85311000 - Social work services with accommodation

Contract locations

- UKD1 - Cumbria

Lot 1. West Cumberland

Description

The lots have been divided geographically across Cumberland. Lot 1 will cover West Cumberland.

Lot value (estimated)

- £345,197.80 excluding VAT
- £414,237.36 including VAT

Same for all lots

CPV classifications, contract locations and contract dates are shown in the Scope section, because they are the same for all lots.

Lot 2. Carlisle

Description

The lots have been divided geographically across Cumberland. Lot 2 will cover Carlisle.

Lot value (estimated)

- £344,733.80 excluding VAT
- £413,680.56 including VAT

Same for all lots

CPV classifications, contract locations and contract dates are shown in the Scope section, because they are the same for all lots.

Participation

Particular suitability

Lot 1. West Cumberland

Lot 2. Carlisle

- Small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)
- Voluntary, community and social enterprises (VCSE)

Submission

Enquiry deadline

26 January 2026, 5:00pm

Tender submission deadline

9 February 2026, 10:00am

Submission address and any special instructions

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

Tenders may be submitted electronically

Yes

Languages that may be used for submission

English

Award decision date (estimated)

27 February 2026

Award criteria

Name	Type	Weighting
Quality	Quality	60%
Price	Price	20%
Social Value	Quality	20%

Other information

Applicable trade agreements

- Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

Conflicts assessment prepared/revised

Yes

Procedure

Procedure type

Open procedure

Special regime

Light touch

Contracting authority

Cumberland Council

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PJGX-9191-DYLV

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Region: UKD12 - East Cumbria

Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government