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Planning

CP2491-24 Independent and Alternative Education support for Children and Young People in Devon

Devon County Council

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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Buyer's address

<https://www.supplyingthesouthwest.org.uk/>

I.3) Communication

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Regional or local authority

I.5) Main activity

General public services

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

CP2491-24 Independent and Alternative Education support for Children and Young People in Devon

Reference number

DN734844

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 80000000 - Education and training services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Devon County Council (DCC) would like to invite providers to attend upcoming engagement events in relation to future commissioning of:

- Education placements for children and young people with special education needs & disabilities (SEND) and statutory Education, Health & Care Plans (EHCP's)
- Alternative education support services for children and young people in Devon

We will be supporting two events on Tuesday 11th March 2025 within the Committee Suites at County Hall in Exeter.

It is essential for providers to attend this event if they are intending to provide educational services to children and young people in Devon for DCC.

Please note that this event is not for discussion on any operational queries or other queries that current providers may have.

Further information is provided at Section II.2.4 Description of the procurement (nature and quantity of works, supplies or services or indication of needs and requirements)

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 85000000 - Health and social work services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKK - South West (England)

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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To sign up to attend one of these events or both events, please fill in our Microsoft Forms survey: - <https://forms.office.com/e/1KSRfiGF8z>

Event 1, Tuesday 11th March 2025, 9.30am to 1pm

The future commissioning of alternative education provision services with Devon County Council.

- This event will be a mixture of short presentations and workshop style activities, discussion, and collaboration.
- This event is intended for providers offering packages of alternative education provision services or support for children and young people.

- This event will look at the future design and longer-term commissioning model the Council will use to buy services from this market and opportunities for us to work together on this.

Event 2, Tuesday 11th March 2025, 2pm to 5.30pm

The future commissioning of bespoke education placements within the independent sector for children and young people with Education, Health, and Care Plans with Devon County Council.

- This event is intended for the following settings: - independent schools, independent special schools and non-maintained special schools and special independent post-16 provision. This includes both Section 41 approved and non-Section 41 approved providers.

- This event will be a mixture of short presentations and workshop style activities, discussion, and collaboration.

- This event will look at the future design and longer-term commissioning model the Council will use to buy services from this market and opportunities for us to work together on this.

Please note lunch will not be provided, but there is a cafe on site at County Hall where refreshments can be purchased. Spaces will be limited to 2 representatives for each organisation.

These events are intended for DCC commissioners to gain information and knowledge regarding the specific services from providers delivering them, with this in mind if you wish to attend, please join the event aimed at the services you are currently delivering. As we develop further there will be opportunities in the future where we will combine both services to jointly look to the future.

We hope you can join us, Devon County Council Children's Commissioning Team.

II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

2 June 2025

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

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.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure

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