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## **Independent Specialist Provision for Children and Young People with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) - CA&FS - CSC/2023/687\***

Stoke-on-Trent City Council

F02: Contract notice

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

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

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**Country**

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**Region code**

UKG23 - Stoke-on-Trent

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://www.stoke.gov.uk>

Buyer's address

<https://www.stoke.gov.uk>

**I.3) Communication**

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

<https://procontract.due-north.com/Advert/Index?advertId=63d5483f-c512-ef11-812b-005056b64545>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

<https://procontract.due-north.com/Advert/Index?advertId=63d5483f-c512-ef11-812b-005056b64545>

**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

Independent Specialist Provision for Children and Young People with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) - CA&FS - CSC/2023/687\*

Reference number

DN720835

#### II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 80000000 - Education and training services

#### II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

#### II.1.4) Short description

\*\*\* This is the reopening of the Framework at the first 6 month Interval \*\*\*

Independent Specialist Placements for children with SEND provides educational support for children and young people between the ages of 0-25 who have a special educational need and/or disability. This can be provided through nursery, school and college settings.

The re-commissioned Flexible Framework will cease the current Framework.

This contract falls under the Public Contract Regulations 2015 Light Touch Regime (LTR) - Regulations 74 to 77. As such, the City Council will place an advert in Find a Tender Service (FTS), publish an award notice and comply with the principles of transparency and equal treatment.

The Flexible approach means that the Tender will open t set periods to allow new Providers onto the Framework. Following the initial tender stage the will be a second opportunity for providers to join the framework after 6mths and then every 12mths following.

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#### II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £76,000,000

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

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

Tenders may be submitted for all lots

### **II.2) Description**

#### **II.2.1) Title**

Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) & Speech, Language and Communication Needs (SLCN)

Lot No

1

#### **II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 800000000 - Education and training services

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

NUTS codes

- UKG23 - Stoke-on-Trent

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

Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) & Speech, Language and Communication Needs (SLCN)

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

Quality criterion - Name: Quality criterion - Name: Technical / Weighting: 100

Price - Weighting: 0

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

Duration in months

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

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#### **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) Description**

#### **II.2.1) Title**

Social, Emotional and Mental Health Difficulties (SEMH)

Lot No

2

#### **II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 80000000 - Education and training services

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

NUTS codes

- UKG23 - Stoke-on-Trent

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

Social, Emotional and Mental Health Difficulties (SEMH)

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

Quality criterion - Name: Quality criterion - Name: Technical / Weighting: 100

Price - Weighting: 0

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

Duration in months

48

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Yes

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## **II.2) Description**

### **II.2.1) Title**

Cognition & Learning & Specific Learning Difficulty (SpLD)

Lot No

3

### **II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 850000000 - Health and social work services

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

NUTS codes

- UKG23 - Stoke-on-Trent

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

Cognition & Learning & Specific Learning Difficulty (SpLD)

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

Quality criterion - Name: Quality criterion - Name: Technical / Weighting: 100

Price - Weighting: 0

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

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Options: No

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### **II.2) Description**

#### **II.2.1) Title**

Severe Learning Disability (SLD) & Profound and Multiple Learning Disability (PMLD)

Lot No

4

#### **II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**



- 80000000 - Education and training services

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

NUTS codes

- UKG23 - Stoke-on-Trent

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

Severe Learning Disability (SLD) & Profound and Multiple Learning Disability (PMLD)

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

Quality criterion - Name: Quality criterion - Name: Technical / Weighting: 100

Price - Weighting: 0

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

Duration in months

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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) Description**

### **II.2.1) Title**

Hearing Impairment (HI) & Visionary Impairment (VI)

Lot No

5

### **II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 800000000 - Education and training services

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

NUTS codes

- UKG23 - Stoke-on-Trent

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

Hearing Impairment (HI) & Visionary Impairment (VI)

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

Quality criterion - Name: Quality criterion - Name: Technical / Weighting: 100

Price - Weighting: 0

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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: No

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

#### **IV.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure**

Notice number: [2024/S 000-015466](#)

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

Date

24 March 2025

Local time

12:00pm

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

English

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

Date

24 March 2025

Local time

12:00pm

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

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

This is a recurrent procurement: Yes

Estimated timing for further notices to be published: \*\*\* This is the reopening of the Framework at the first 6 month Interval \*\*\*

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

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

Stoke on Trent City Council

Stoke on Trent

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Country

United Kingdom