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Tender

Somerset Council Apprenticeship Services Provision

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Scope

Reference

EPRO1000390

Description

The purpose of this procurement is to contract with multiple providers to deliver an Apprenticeship Service to eligible people.

The Authority requires a service provider, or providers, to manage the delivery of its Apprenticeship programme. The Apprenticeships to be provided via this procurement exercise are funded via the Authority's Apprenticeship Levy.

Applicants must be able to access Education and Skills Funding Agency (ESFA) levy funding for apprentices and listed on the Register of Apprenticeship Training Providers throughout this contract.

Commercial tool

Establishes an open framework

A series of frameworks with substantially the same terms. Awarded suppliers are carried over and new suppliers can bid.

Total value (estimated)

- £4,000,000 excluding VAT
- £4,800,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Contract dates (estimated)

- 1 July 2026 to 30 June 2029
- 3 years

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 80000000 - Education and training services

Contract locations

- UKK23 - Somerset

Lot constraints

Description of how multiple lots may be awarded:

Tenders may be submitted for all lots

Lot 1. Business and administration

Description

For further information regarding this opportunity, including accessing to the tender documents, please visit the Proactis e-tendering portal.

Lot value (estimated)

- £4,000,000 excluding VAT
- £4,800,000 including VAT

Framework lot values may be shared with other lots

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. Health and Social Care and Protective Services

Description

Health and Social Care and Protective Services

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Lot value (estimated)

- £4,000,000 excluding VAT
- £4,800,000 including VAT

Framework lot values may be shared with other lots

Same for all lots

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Lot 3. Construction and the built environment

Description

Construction and the built environment

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Lot value (estimated)

- £4,000,000 excluding VAT

- £4,800,000 including VAT

Framework lot values may be shared with other lots

Same for all lots

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Lot 4. Creative, Design and Digital

Description

Creative, Design and Digital

For further information regarding this opportunity, including accessing to the tender documents, please visit the Proactis e-tendering portal.

Lot value (estimated)

- £4,000,000 excluding VAT
- £4,800,000 including VAT

Framework lot values may be shared with other lots

Same for all lots

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Lot 5. Education and early years

Description

Education and early years

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Lot value (estimated)

- £4,000,000 excluding VAT
- £4,800,000 including VAT

Framework lot values may be shared with other lots

Same for all lots

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Lot 6. Engineering and manufacturing

Description

Engineering and manufacturing

For further information regarding this opportunity, including accessing to the tender documents, please visit the Proactis e-tendering portal.

Lot value (estimated)

- £4,000,000 excluding VAT

- £4,800,000 including VAT

Framework lot values may be shared with other lots

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 7. Legal, finance and accounting

Description

Legal, finance and accounting

For further information regarding this opportunity, including accessing to the tender documents, please visit the Proactis e-tendering portal.

Lot value (estimated)

- £4,000,000 excluding VAT
- £4,800,000 including VAT

Framework lot values may be shared with other lots

Same for all lots

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Lot 8. Sales, marketing and procurement

Description

Sales, marketing and procurement

For further information regarding this opportunity, including accessing to the tender documents, please visit the Proactis e-tendering portal.

Lot value (estimated)

- £4,000,000 excluding VAT
- £4,800,000 including VAT

Framework lot values may be shared with other lots

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.

Framework

Open framework scheme end date (estimated)

30 June 2029

Maximum number of suppliers

Unlimited

Maximum percentage fee charged to suppliers

0%

Framework operation description

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Award method when using the framework

With competition

Contracting authorities that may use the framework

Establishing party only

Participation

Particular suitability

Lot 1. Business and administration

Lot 2. Health and Social Care and Protective Services

Lot 3. Construction and the built environment

Lot 4. Creative, Design and Digital

Lot 5. Education and early years

Lot 6. Engineering and manufacturing

Lot 7. Legal, finance and accounting

Lot 8. Sales, marketing and procurement

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

Submission

Enquiry deadline

23 February 2026, 11:59pm

Tender submission deadline

27 February 2026, 12:00pm

Submission address and any special instructions

All details can be found within the tender documents published on <https://supplierlive.proactisp2p.com/Account/Login#> search using the procurement reference EPRO1000390

Tenders may be submitted electronically

Yes

Languages that may be used for submission

English

Award decision date (estimated)

21 April 2026

Award criteria

Name	Description	Type	Weighting
Quality criterion	Price criterion - Compliance with funding (Pass/Fail) / Weighting: 0	Quality	100%

Other information**Conflicts assessment prepared/revised**

Yes

Procedure**Procedure type**

Open procedure

Special regime

Light touch

Contracting authority

Somerset Council

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Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government