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Planning

## **AT1468 Alternative Education Provision - Primary, Secondary, 16+**

Luton Council

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### **Scope**

### **Description**

Luton Council is looking to procure approved alternative education providers to meet the needs of learners who require educational provision to compliment, extend or replace their existing curriculum provision. Alternative provision may be in place for students who are at the point of permanent exclusion, have been excluded from school or unable to access educational provision in a school or further education provision on medical grounds, or due to mental health and anxiety conditions or complex learning disabilities. Providers must be able to provide either face-to-face provision or online tutorial.

The tender will be divided into Lots to meet various needs across the primary, secondary and 16+ age years to cover vocational, therapeutic, core GCSE subjects, one-to-one in person, online one-to-one and group learning and complex SEND, severe learning disabilities. The tender will also include a Lot for provision of face-to-face tuition to pupils of compulsory school age who are in-patients on the paediatric ward at the Luton and Dunstable hospital.

We will be hosting two Meet the Buyer sessions, one in person for the face-to-face provision and another online which will be for the online tuition providers. The in person

event will take place at 2pm on the 10 February 2026 at the Luton Central Library, St George's Square, Luton LU1 2NG, the online event will take on Friday 13 February 2026 @ 2pm - you must register to attend either event by emailing [Caroline.sturman@luton.gov.uk](mailto:Caroline.sturman@luton.gov.uk). You will not be admitted to the Library if you haven't registered and you will be sent the meeting invite for the online event upon registration.

## **Commercial tool**

Establishes a framework

## **Total value (estimated)**

- £11,000,000 excluding VAT
- £13,200,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

## **Contract dates (estimated)**

- 1 September 2026 to 31 August 2034
- 8 years

## **Main procurement category**

Services

## **CPV classifications**

- 80000000 - Education and training services

## **Contract locations**

- UKH21 - Luton

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## **Engagement**

### **Engagement deadline**

10 February 2026

### **Engagement process description**

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## **Participation**

### **Particular suitability**

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

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## **Submission**

### **Publication date of tender notice (estimated)**

23 February 2026

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## **Procedure**

### **Special regime**

Light touch

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## **Contracting authority**

### **Luton Council**

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Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government