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## **British Science Week 2026**

Department for Science, Innovation & Technology

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### **Scope**

### **Description**

This contract will deliver research into children's views on the future, using the established British Science Week programme to engage children across the country and generate insights for the Government Office for Science's Future of Childhood project. The work includes designing the engagement question and accompanying materials, enabling young people to meaningfully explore the topic, and commissioning a researcher to analyse and report on the submissions. While other suppliers could source and analyse children's artwork, they would do so at a significantly smaller scale and at higher cost, resulting in lower-quality insights.

Given the limited market for this type of research, the British Science Association is the only organisation able to deliver the requirement at the necessary scale. As such, the use of Schedule 5, paragraph 5 of the Procurement Act 2023 is justified.

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## **Contract 1**

### **Supplier**

- The British Association for the Advancement of Science

### **Contract value**

- £30,000 excluding VAT
- £36,000 including VAT

Below the relevant threshold

### **Award decision date**

28 January 2026

### **Earliest date the contract will be signed**

10 February 2026

### **Contract dates (estimated)**

- 10 February 2026 to 30 October 2026
- 8 months, 21 days

### **Main procurement category**

Services

## CPV classifications

- 73110000 - Research services
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## Procedure

### Procedure type

Below threshold - without competition

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## Supplier

### The British Association for the Advancement of Science

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Region: UKI33 - Kensington & Chelsea and Hammersmith & Fulham

Small or medium-sized enterprise (SME): No

Voluntary, community or social enterprise (VCSE): Yes

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## Contracting authority

### Department for Science, Innovation & Technology

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PVWZ-3216-PVQL

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Organisation type: Public authority - central government