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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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### **Scope**

### **Reference**

CP2491-24

### **Description**

Independent and Alternative Education support for Children and Young People in Devon.

Devon County Council is currently in the market engagement stage for future commissioning and procurement of placements for Independent and Alternative Education for Children and Young People in Devon.

## **Contract dates (estimated)**

- 30 January 2026 to 29 January 2031
- Possible extension to 29 January 2034
- 8 years

## **Main procurement category**

Services

## **CPV classifications**

- 80000000 - Education and training services
- 85000000 - Health and social work services

## **Contract locations**

- UKK - South West (England)

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## **Engagement**

### **Engagement deadline**

11 March 2025

## Engagement process description

Devon County Council 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

Devon County Council will be supporting the following two events on Tuesday 11th March 2025 to be held in the Committee Suites at County Hall in Exeter.

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 1 representative per 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

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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)**

3 June 2025

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## **Procedure**

### **Special regime**

Light touch

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## **Contracting authority**

### **Devon County Council**

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