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Tender

## **Public Mental Wellbeing Programme - Lot 1: Community Bereavement Support Service for Children Young People and Families; Lot 2:Community Bereavement Support Service for Adults**

Blackburn With Darwen Borough Council

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### **Scope**

### **Reference**

URN185

### **Description**

Blackburn with Darwen Borough Council is looking to procure for Public Mental Wellbeing Programme: Lot 1: Community Bereavement Support Service for Children Young People and Families; Lot 2: Community Bereavement Support Service for Adults.

How we respond to those who are bereaved can have a long-term impact on how they grieve, their health and their memories of the individual who has died. Bereavement can result in clinical depression, anxiety states, panic syndromes, and posttraumatic stress disorder and is associated with increased risk of mortality, greater use of health services, and subsequent poor mental and physical health. Bereavement can also trigger loneliness, and increased social isolation. For many people, bereavement also brings life

changes and practical challenges, including dealing with the administration of the death and taking on new responsibilities, just at a time when they may feel vulnerable and overwhelmed.

Lot 1: The overall aim of this service is to provide low level emotional and practical support to Children, Young People and Families (CYPF) who have been bereaved, reducing stigma, supporting them to grieve and preventing the escalation of distress by offering early intervention.

Lot 2: The overall aim of this service is to provide low level emotional and practical support to Adults who have been bereaved, reducing stigma, supporting them to grieve and preventing the escalation of distress by offering early intervention.

Both Services will provide a range of support options to address the social, emotional, and practical needs of those who have been bereaved.

Both lots will be delivered independently but remain connected to Blackburn with Darwen's wider Public Mental Wellbeing Programme, complementing two existing contracted services already being delivered: (1) Mental Health and Suicide Prevention Training and Engagement (2) Men's Mental Wellbeing Service.

### **Total value (estimated)**

- £540,000 excluding VAT
- £648,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

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

- 1 July 2026 to 30 June 2028
- Possible extension to 30 June 2030
- 4 years

Description of possible extension:

Contract Length = 2 years

With options to extend +1 year and +1 year

4 years (48 months) total

## **Main procurement category**

Services

## **CPV classifications**

- 85000000 - Health and social work services

## **Contract locations**

- UKD41 - Blackburn with Darwen

## **Lot constraints**

Description of how multiple lots may be awarded:

Suppliers are able to bid for one or both lots.

There is one tender document for each lot. If you are applying for more than one lot, please complete a separate ITT for each lot you are applying for.

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## **Lot 1. Public Mental Wellbeing Programme - Lot 1: Community Bereavement Support Service for Children Young People and Families**

### **Description**

Lot 1: The overall aim of this service is to provide low level emotional and practical support to Children, Young People and Families (CYPF) who have been bereaved, reducing stigma, supporting them to grieve and preventing the escalation of distress by offering early intervention.

### **Lot value (estimated)**

- £270,000 excluding VAT
- £324,000 including VAT

### **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.

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## **Lot 2. Public Mental Wellbeing Programme - Lot 2: Community Bereavement Support Service for Adults**

### **Description**

Lot 2: The overall aim of this service is to provide low level emotional and practical support to Adults who have been bereaved, reducing stigma, supporting them to grieve and preventing the escalation of distress by offering early intervention

## **Lot value (estimated)**

- £270,000 excluding VAT
- £324,000 including VAT

## **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.

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## **Participation**

### **Legal and financial capacity conditions of participation**

**Lot 1. Public Mental Wellbeing Programme - Lot 1: Community Bereavement Support Service for Children Young People and Families**

**Lot 2. Public Mental Wellbeing Programme - Lot 2: Community Bereavement Support Service for Adults**

Please see individual ITT documents

### **Technical ability conditions of participation**

**Lot 1. Public Mental Wellbeing Programme - Lot 1: Community Bereavement Support Service for Children Young People and Families**

**Lot 2. Public Mental Wellbeing Programme - Lot 2: Community Bereavement Support Service for Adults**

Please see individual ITT documents

## **Particular suitability**

**Lot 1. Public Mental Wellbeing Programme - Lot 1: Community Bereavement Support Service for Children Young People and Families**

**Lot 2. Public Mental Wellbeing Programme - Lot 2: Community Bereavement Support Service for Adults**

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

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## **Submission**

### **Enquiry deadline**

13 February 2026, 12:00pm

### **Tender submission deadline**

2 March 2026, 12:00pm

### **Submission address and any special instructions**

<https://www.the-chest.org.uk/>

### **Tenders may be submitted electronically**

Yes

### **Languages that may be used for submission**

English

### **Award decision date (estimated)**

1 April 2026

### **Award criteria**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Type</b>	<b>Weighting</b>
Public Mental Wellbeing Programme	1) Overall Service - 15% weighting 2)	Quality	100%
- Lot 1: Community Bereavement Support Service for Children	Experience, Knowledge and Skills - 20% weighting 3)		
Young People and Families; Lot 2: Community	Implementation Plan - 10% weighting 4)		
Bereavement Support Service for Adults	Communication and Marketing Strategy - 10% weighting 5)		
	Health Inequalities - 10% weighting 6)		
	Safeguarding - 5% weighting 7)		
	Innovation - 5% weighting 8)		
	Social Value (Schedule 6 of ITT) - 15% weighting 9)		
	Price (Schedule 7 of ITT) - 10% weighting		

### **Other information**

#### **Payment terms**

Please refer to relevant ITT document (viewable as an attachment on The Chest)

### **Description of risks to contract performance**

Please refer to relevant ITT document (viewable as an attachment on The Chest)

### **Conflicts assessment prepared/revised**

Yes

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## **Procedure**

### **Procedure type**

Open procedure

### **Special regime**

Light touch

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## **Contracting authority**

### **Blackburn With Darwen Borough Council**

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PYGR-1856-CVXM

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Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government