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Planning

D2N2 Children in Care Provision

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Scope

Reference

CCS034

Description

Derbyshire County Council are leading on the next D2N2 Children in Care Provision which is due to commence on 1st April 2026. D2N2 is a collaboration of four authorities: Derbyshire; Derby City; Nottinghamshire and Nottingham City. The current D2N2 Children in Care framework began in February 2020 and is due to expire on 31st March 2026. The vision and aims of the current framework will remain the same within the next provision and are as follows:

- Local provision for local children which enables sustainable placements and positive outcomes
- Right placement; right location; right time; right price
- Develop relationships with providers to encourage investment in the market locally
- Ensure all stakeholders are able contribute to the new arrangements from the outset
- Greater flexibility of provision and commissioning, and explore alternative contract models

Contract dates (estimated)

- 1 April 2026 to 31 March 2029
- Possible extension to 31 March 2034
- 8 years

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 85000000 - Health and social work services

Contract locations

- UKF1 - Derbyshire and Nottinghamshire
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Engagement

Engagement deadline

4 April 2025

Engagement process description

EVENT 1:

Independent Fostering Agencies - Provider Engagement

The event will be held on Thursday 3rd April 2025, 10am -1pm.

The event will be held online, via Teams.

Please RSVP by 28th March 2025 to andrea.mccloskey@derbyshire.gov.uk and a Microsoft teams invite will be sent to your email address.

The event is about the New D2N2 Children in Care framework - Fostering lots.

The new D2N2 Children in Care framework is due to start on 1 April 2026 and so this event will focus on further scoping and shaping of the new framework, and reflect on the current D2N2 Children in Care framework.

The event is for providers who provide OFSTED registered Fostering provision for Children in Care within the Derby City, Derbyshire, Nottinghamshire and Nottingham City boundaries (and neighbouring areas).

In order to be eligible to attend the event, OFSTED registrations must either be complete now and the service in place, or for the OFSTED registration to be completed by August 2025 at the latest (as providers without this will not be eligible to apply for the framework).

There will be a face to face event held on Friday 4th April 2025, 10am-1pm for residential providers. This decision was based on initial feedback from the Soft Market Testing issued via Pro Contract in February, where preferred online was identified for fostering provision and preferred face to face was identified for residential provision.

EVENT 2:

Children's Residential Homes - Provider Engagement

The event will be held on Friday 4th April 2025, 10am -1pm.

The event will be held at Lea Green, Main Road, Lea, Matlock, Derbyshire, DE4 5GJ

The event is about the New D2N2 Children in Care framework - Residential lots.

The new D2N2 Children in Care framework is due to start on 1 April 2026 and so this event will focus on further scoping and shaping of the new framework, and reflect on the current D2N2 Children in Care framework.

The event is for providers who provide OFSTED registered Residential care for Children in Care within the Derby City, Derbyshire, Nottinghamshire and Nottingham City boundaries (and neighbouring areas).

In order to be eligible to attend the event, OFSTED registrations must either be complete now and the service in place, or for the OFSTED registration to be completed by August 2025 at the latest (as providers without this will not be eligible to apply for the framework).

There will be an online event held on Thursday 3rd April 2025, 10am-1pm for fostering providers. This decision was based on initial feedback from the Soft Market Testing issued via Pro Contract in February, where preferred online was identified for fostering provision and preferred face to face was identified for residential provision.

Please RSVP by 28th March 2025 to andrea.mccloskey@derbyshire.gov.uk

Participation

Particular suitability

Small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)

Procedure

Special regime

Light touch

Contracting authorities

Derbyshire County Council

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PWZQ-2162-JJQL

County Hall

Matlock

DE4 3AG

United Kingdom

Email: Countyprocurementcompliance.team@derbyshire.gov.uk

Region: UKF13 - South and West Derbyshire

Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government

Derby City Council

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PQVM-1383-ZBXP

The Council House - Corporation Street

Derby

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United Kingdom

Email: procurement@derby.gov.uk

Region: UKF11 - Derby

Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government

Nottinghamshire County Council

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PBCV-5152-BXBP

County Hall, Loughborough Road

Nottingham

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United Kingdom

Email: prpc@nottscc.gov.uk

Region: UKF16 - South Nottinghamshire

Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government

Nottingham City Council

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PZGG-1891-TDCX

Loxley House

Nottingham

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United Kingdom

Email: procurement@nottinghamcity.gov.uk

Region: UKF14 - Nottingham

Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government

Contact organisation

Contact [Derbyshire County Council](#) for any enquiries.