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Tender

## Provision of Social worker services for BFSAI

Ministry of Defence

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### Scope

### Description

Provision of Social Worker Services for British Forces South Atlantic Islands.

There is a requirement in MOD Policy to promote and maintain the welfare of Service Personnel and of the Service Community, the provision of Social Work Services (SWS) is a main contributor to the requirement. As far as possible the services should seek to replicate the elements of statutory social work provided by local authorities in the UK.

Non-statutory and certain statutory SWS are not required on a 24/7 basis but must accommodate local circumstances and be flexible enough to meet changing customer and Service demands. Service welfare provision is primarily intended to manage the critical connection between welfare and operational effectiveness.

BFSAI social care and welfare support will be required in many forms, to a military dependency in a military environment differing from a a UK Local Authority environment. Issues unique to the military environment may arise, and familiarity with military systems, practices and procedures will be required.

## **Total value (estimated)**

- £550,000 excluding VAT
- £550,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

## **Contract dates (estimated)**

- 1 July 2026 to 30 June 2029
- Possible extension to 30 June 2031
- 5 years

Description of possible extension:

2 x 1 year option periods.

## **Options**

The right to additional purchases while the contract is valid.

2 x 1 year option periods.

## **Main procurement category**

Services

## **CPV classifications**

- 85311300 - Welfare services for children and young people

- 85312400 - Welfare services not delivered through residential institutions

## **Contract locations**

- FK - Falkland Islands
- SH - Saint Helena, Ascension and Tristan da Cunha

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## **Submission**

### **Tender submission deadline**

17 March 2026, 10:00am

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

To be submitted via the Defence Sourcing Portal against requirement " Invitation To Tender (ITT) Reference No. 715769502 - Provision of social worker services"

<https://contracts.mod.uk/esop/ogc-host/public/mod/web/login.html>

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

Yes

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

English

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

23 March 2026

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## Award criteria

Name	Description	Type
1. Delivery of Statutory & Non Statutory Social Work Services...	Explain how your organisation will deliver both statutory and non statutory social work services to BFSAI, referencing all key requirements in the Statement of Requirement. Include examples of previous service delivery, how you will ensure accessibility (including out of hours urgent decisions within 1 hour), and how services will adapt to diverse needs across the community.	Quality

## Weighting description

The Authority shall use its own Weighted Value for Money (WVfM) methodology for this procurement.

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## Other information

### Conflicts assessment prepared/revised

Yes

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## Procedure

### Procedure type

Open procedure

### Justification for not publishing a preliminary market engagement notice

No PME required.

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## Contracting authority

### Ministry of Defence

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PHVX-4316-ZVGZ

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Region: UKK12 - Bath and North East Somerset, North Somerset and South Gloucestershire

Organisation type: Public authority - central government