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Planning

Children's Activities Framework – Holiday Activities and Food (HAF)

Barnsley Metropolitan Borough Council

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Scope

Reference

P633

Description

The Council is intending to undertake a procurement exercise for children's activities including Holidays Activities & Food (HAF). In order to help inform such an exercise, the Council is undertaking this second pre-market engagement stage to explore what is available in the market, seeking feedback and guidance from providers. The Holiday Activities and Food (HAF) Programme is a national programme funded by the Department for Education (DfE). The programme targets children and young people from Reception to Year 11 (ages 4 to 16) who are in receipt of benefit-related free school meals (FSMs). It offers free access to nutritious meals and engaging activities, aiming to alleviate holiday hunger, reduce social isolation, and encourage physical activity. There will be a supplier presentation briefing session held on Tuesday 3rd March 2026 at 12:30pm. This session is expected to last no more than 1 hour. In order to confirm attendance to the Pre-Market Engagement event, please complete and return appendix 1 of the Pre-Market

Engagement document by 12noon on 02/03/2026.

Commercial tool

Establishes a framework

Total value (estimated)

- £3,000,000 excluding VAT
- £3,000,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Contract dates (estimated)

- 1 December 2026 to 30 November 2028
- 2 years

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 55243000 - Children's holiday-camp services
- 85312100 - Daycare services
- 85312110 - Child daycare services

Contract locations

- UK - United Kingdom

Engagement

Engagement deadline

2 March 2026

Engagement process description

https://uk.eu-supply.com/app/rfq/rwlenrance_s.asp?PID=102576&TID=100107790&B=

Participation

Particular suitability

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

Submission

Publication date of tender notice (estimated)

4 March 2026

Contracting authority

Barnsley Metropolitan Borough Council

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Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government