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Award

Creative Producer for Summer 2026 Exhibition at The Word

South Tyneside Borough Council

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Scope

Reference

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Description

To design an exhibition for Summer 2026 in the 170m² main exhibition space on the ground floor.

Our aim is to create a family orientated experience with interactive elements for all ages to enjoy. The exhibition must be an engaging, robust and high-quality experience for adults as well as children.

The successful candidate will:

- Develop a creative concept inspired by children's literature. Themes of interest include imaginary worlds, fairytales, myths and legends, and/or mythical creatures, with scope for interpretation and innovation.

- Develop an experience with immersive elements, and opportunities for people to put themselves into the book/picture (selfies).
- Design immersive experiences that encourage fun and playful interaction for both children and adults. These should include creative opportunities for participation and for visitors to place themselves within scenes or stories, using a mix of physical and digital elements - such as selfie stations or augmented reality features - to enhance engagement.
- Evidence a strong track record of developing and delivering innovative, high-quality experiences in public cultural spaces such as theatres, museums, libraries, and similar venues.
- Deliver visually striking and durable designs capable of accommodating high visitor footfall and sustained interaction over a six-month period.

Contract 1

Supplier

- Suzie Devey

Contract value

- £60,000 excluding VAT
- £72,000 including VAT

Below the relevant threshold

Award decision date

12 February 2026

Earliest date the contract will be signed

25 February 2026

Contract dates (estimated)

- 2 March 2026 to 31 January 2027
- 10 months, 30 days

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 92310000 - Artistic and literary creation and interpretation services

Contract locations

- UKC - North East (England)

Information about tenders

- 3 tenders received

- 3 tenders assessed in the final stage:
 - 3 submitted by small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)
 - 0 submitted by voluntary, community and social enterprises (VCSE)
- 1 supplier awarded contracts
- 2 suppliers unsuccessful (details included for contracts over £5 million)

Procedure

Procedure type

Below threshold - limited competition

Supplier

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Email: suziedeveyart@gmail.com

Region: UKE22 - North Yorkshire CC

Small or medium-sized enterprise (SME): Yes

Voluntary, community or social enterprise (VCSE): No

Contract 1

Contracting authority

South Tyneside Borough Council

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PYPB-8737-VBHG

Town Hall and Civic Offices, Westoe Road

South Shields

NE33 2RL

United Kingdom

Email: strategic.procurement@southtyneside.gov.uk

Region: UKC22 - Tyneside

Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government