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Rochdale Borough Council Care Homes

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Scope

Reference

DN806900

Description

This specification is intended for inclusion within an Open Framework agreement designed to deliver comprehensive flexible, adaptive and transformative care and support services to individuals residing in the borough. The Open Framework will be organised into separate lots, facilitating the commissioning of both residential and nursing care provision, with the overarching aim of enabling people to age and live well in their community.

Commercial tool

Establishes an open framework

A series of frameworks with substantially the same terms. Awarded suppliers are carried over and new suppliers can bid.

Total value (estimated)

- £384,000,000 excluding VAT
- £384,000,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Contract dates (estimated)

- 1 April 2026 to 31 March 2031
- Possible extension to 31 March 2033
- 7 years

Description of possible extension:

24 Months

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 85000000 - Health and social work services

Contract locations

- UKC - North East (England)
 - UKD - North West (England)
 - UKE - Yorkshire and the Humber
 - UKF - East Midlands (England)
 - UKG - West Midlands (England)
 - UKH - East of England
 - UKI - London
 - UKJ - South East (England)
 - UKK - South West (England)
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Lot 1. Residential Care

Description

Standard residential care within a care home setting. It is designed to support individuals who require assistance with daily living activities, such as personal care, meals, and medication, but do not have significant nursing needs or nursing needs that cannot be met by community District Nurses

Lot value (estimated)

- £384,000,000 excluding VAT
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Framework lot values may be shared with other lots

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.

Lot 2. Residential Dementia Care

Description

Residential care for people with a formal diagnosis of dementia, where dementia is the primary care need. Services are delivered by staff trained in dementia care, ensuring a supportive environment that minimises distress and maximises quality of life. The care home will offer adapted environments, meaningful activities, and support for families, with regular reviews to adapt care as the condition progresses. The service should include appropriate equipment to support mobility, safety, and independence, ensuring it is well maintained and suited to individual needs

Lot value (estimated)

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- £384,000,000 including VAT

Framework lot values may be shared with other lots

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Lot 3. General Nursing Care

Description

Standard nursing care supports individuals with more complex health needs that require 24-hour nursing oversight, such as those with chronic illnesses, mobility issues, or requiring regular medical interventions. Registered nurses are always on site to provide clinical care, manage medications, and work with multidisciplinary teams to ensure comprehensive support

Lot value (estimated)

- £384,000,000 excluding VAT
- £384,000,000 including VAT

Framework lot values may be shared with other lots

Same for all lots

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Lot 4. Nursing Dementia Care

Description

Nursing dementia care is dedicated to providing comprehensive care for individuals with a primary diagnosis of dementia who also require nursing intervention. The service integrates specialist dementia care with round-the-clock registered nursing support, designed to meet the complex and evolving needs of residents whose conditions are further complicated by chronic or acute physical health challenges

Lot value (estimated)

- £384,000,000 excluding VAT
- £384,000,000 including VAT

Framework lot values may be shared with other lots

Same for all lots

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Lot 5. Short-Term Provision

Description

Provision of Respite Care, Short-Term Placements and Discharge to Assess (D2A) services. These services are designed to support individuals during periods of transition, enabling timely hospital discharge and promoting recovery and independence. Providers must adopt a reablement approach that empowers individuals to regain confidence in everyday skills, promotes independence, minimises reliance on long-term care, and delivers improved health and wellbeing outcomes. The aim is to deliver safe, person-centered, and flexible care that prioritises wellbeing, continuity, and dignity at every stage of support.

Lot value (estimated)

- £384,000,000 excluding VAT
- £384,000,000 including VAT

Framework lot values may be shared with other lots

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Lot 6. Innovation

Description

This lot actively promotes collaborative working with the Council to co-design, trial, and evaluate pioneering solutions in the delivery of 24-hour care. Providers are encouraged to propose and develop innovative models that address unmet needs or persistent challenges within the current system. Potential areas of innovation may include, but are not limited to:

- Integration of Technology Enabled Care (TEC): For example, remote monitoring devices, telehealth consultations, digital medication management systems, and assistive technologies to enhance safety, independence, and real-time communication between care teams, individuals, and families.
- Novel Service Delivery Models: Initiatives such as flexible staffing arrangements, mobile multidisciplinary teams, or community-based hubs that provide rapid outreach and wraparound support, helping to prevent unnecessary hospital admissions or support timely discharge.
- Targeted Interventions for Specific Challenges: Projects focused on reducing social isolation, supporting people with complex needs, or improving transitions between care settings. This may involve peer support programmes, befriending schemes, or collaborative partnerships with voluntary and community organisations.
- Use of Data and Analytics: Leveraging data to identify trends, predict risk, and tailor interventions, thereby improving outcomes and resource allocation

Lot value (estimated)

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Framework

Open framework scheme end date (estimated)

31 March 2033

Maximum number of suppliers

Unlimited

Maximum percentage fee charged to suppliers

0%

Framework operation description

See documentation

Award method when using the framework

With competition

Contracting authorities that may use the framework

Establishing party only

Participation

Particular suitability

Lot 1. Residential Care

Lot 2. Residential Dementia Care

Lot 3. General Nursing Care

Lot 4. Nursing Dementia Care

Lot 5. Short-Term Provision

Lot 6. Innovation

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

Enquiry deadline

23 February 2026, 12:00pm

Tender submission deadline

6 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)

22 March 2026

Award criteria

Name	Description	Type
Pass/Fail	All questions are pass/Fail	Quality

Weighting description

Pass/Fail

Other information

Conflicts assessment prepared/revised

Yes

Procedure

Procedure type

Open procedure

Special regime

Light touch

Reduced tendering period

Yes

Light touch contract - no minimum

Documents

Associated tender documents

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

All documentation can be located via The Chest under ref DN806900

Contracting authority

Rochdale Borough Council

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