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Tender

## **2.0 Commissioning Children's Homes in Hackney for Children Looked After**

London Borough of Hackney

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### **Scope**

### **Reference**

DN805257

### **Description**

The London Borough of Hackney is looking to commission an experienced Children's Home provider to run and operate 2 new Children's Homes in Hackney out of Council owned properties. The home will accommodate a maximum of 6 children between them (in a 2 bed and 4 bed home), from the ages of 11 and 17. The Council has a legal obligation under the Children Act 1989 to provide suitable accommodation for children looked after in order to fulfil its corporate parenting responsibilities.

We recognise the exceptionally challenging staffing climate in relation to support work and residential care staff, as well as the complexities and challenges around OFSTED registration. As a result of this, our aim is to work in partnership with an experienced provider who is already delivering OFSTED registered children's homes services.

Commissioning an experienced partner provider with an established staff and

management pool, means that we are able to enhance the quality of experience and care for children looked after. We want to build a partnership with a provider who has a track record of delivering good and outstanding homes to help us deliver excellent services for children looked after in Hackney.

The maximum duration of the contract will be seven years, comprising an initial period of five years with the option to extend for a further two years (5+1+1).

### Conditions of Participation

In order to have their Invitation to Tender assessed a supplier must pass the qualifying Conditions of Participation as set out on the Procurement Portal within the Procurement Specific Questionnaire(PSQ) These include but are not limited to the following:

-Providers will need to demonstrate that they have been operating children's homes in England for at least 2 years and hold current active OFSTED registration. Please refer to the 'Technical Ability' and 'Project Specific Questions' of the PSQ (this will be tested via a series of questions which will ALL require a 'PASS' mark)

-For the financial appraisal, we would seek that Providers have a Contract Turnover ratio of less than 50%, Eg: Annual Contract Value ? Total Annual Turnover.Please refer to the 'Financial Capacity' section of the PSQ for further details.

The Conditions of Participation will be tested over a series of questions within the PSQ. Please refer to the PSQ for the full list of 'conditions of participation' for this procurement.

### **Total value (estimated)**

- £17,860,000 excluding VAT
- £21,432,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

### **Contract dates (estimated)**

- 1 June 2026 to 31 May 2031
- Possible extension to 31 May 2033

- 7 years

Description of possible extension:

1+1 years extension subject to performance.

## **Main procurement category**

Services

## **CPV classifications**

- 85000000 - Health and social work services

## **Contract locations**

- UKI41 - Hackney and Newham

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## **Participation**

### **Particular suitability**

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

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## **Submission**

## **Enquiry deadline**

12 March 2026, 12:00am

## **Tender submission deadline**

19 March 2026, 12:00pm

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

All documents to be submitted via Procontract.

## **Tenders may be submitted electronically**

No

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

English

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

1 June 2026

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## **Award criteria**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Type</b>	<b>Weighting</b>
Quality	Quality	70.00%
Price	Price	30.00%

## **Other information**

### **Applicable trade agreements**

- Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

### **Conflicts assessment prepared/revised**

Yes

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## **Procedure**

### **Procedure type**

Open procedure

### **Special regime**

Light touch

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## **Contracting authority**

### **London Borough of Hackney**

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PRZC-5592-DDDV

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Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government