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Planning

Ofsted Registered/Registering Providers of Children's Home's

Durham County Council

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Scope

Description

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Hall at the Durham Leadership Centre in Spennymoor. (Previously known as The Education Centre on local signage - Enterprise Way, Spennymoor, Co. Durham, DL16 6YP)

We would welcome your attendance and engagement in this event to help us gather valuable insight from providers. It would be helpful for Providers to send representation from the organisation that will be able to contribute to discussions around contracts, frameworks and procurement.

This is a free event and we look forward to seeing you there.

If you would like to attend please email childrenscommissioningofficers@durham.gov.uk to book a space by Friday 2nd May 2025.

Due to venue capacity we may only be able to accommodate 2 people per organisation. If you would like additional spaces please highlight on booking and we will confirm if we can accommodate nearer the event date.

Commercial tool

Establishes a framework

Contract dates (estimated)

- 1 April 2026 to 31 March 2036
- 10 years

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 85000000 - Health and social work services

Contract locations

- UKC14 - Durham CC

Engagement

Engagement deadline

2 May 2025

Engagement process description

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Procedure

Special regime

Light touch

Contracting authority

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