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Tender

Independent Visitors

The North Yorkshire Council

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Scope

Reference

543-NYC-CY

Description

North Yorkshire Council (the Council) has a requirement for a contract for Independent Visitors. It is a statutory requirement for local authorities to provide Independent Visitors (IVs) to looked after children who may benefit from the service. Independent visitors are volunteers who are matched with one child that they will visit once a month with a minimum commitment of 12 months.

Total value (estimated)

- £83,333.33 excluding VAT
- £100,000 including VAT

Below the relevant threshold

Contract dates (estimated)

- 1 May 2026 to 30 April 2028
- Possible extension to 30 April 2031
- 5 years

Description of possible extension:

OTE 1 - 01/05/2028 - 30/04/2030 OTE 2 - 01/05/2030 - 30/04/2031

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 85000000 - Health and social work services

Contract locations

- UKE2 - North Yorkshire

Participation

This procurement is reserved for

Suppliers from North Yorkshire

Conditions of participation

Please see PA2023 Volume 1 The Specification

Particular suitability

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

Submission

Enquiry deadline

5 March 2026, 12:00pm

Tender submission deadline

16 March 2026, 12:00pm

Submission address and any special instructions

https://uk.eu-supply.com/app/rfq/rwlenrance_s.asp?PID=102178&TID100107399&B=

Tenders may be submitted electronically

Yes

Award criteria

Name	Description	Type	Weighting
Question 1	Safeguarding	Quality	25%
Pricing	Social Value	Price	20%
Question 2	Collaboration	Quality	15%
Question 3	Lone working	Quality	15%
Question 4	Processes and Policies	Quality	15%
Question 5	Social Value	Quality	10%

Procedure

Procedure type

Below threshold - open competition

Special regime

Light touch

Contracting authority

The North Yorkshire Council

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Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government