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Tender

North Northamptonshire Council - Provision of Independent Advocacy Services in North Northamptonshire

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Scope

Reference

NNC00000637

Description

North Northamptonshire Council (hereafter referred to as the "Council") wishes to invite Tender Responses for procurement of Independent Advocacy Service in North Northamptonshire.

Independent advocacy enables individuals to have as much control as possible over their own lives. Independent advocates are completely neutral and impartial from the Council, Health and Social Care services. This helps to prevent a possible conflict of interest, which is particularly relevant for individuals that require an advocate. The independent advocate does not make any direct decisions for the person they are supporting; instead, they provide them with all the necessary information so that they can make an informed decision themselves

The provision of this service is a statutory duty under The Care Act 2014 and places a responsibility upon the Council to arrange an independent advocate for an individual as per the legislation.

The new contract length will be 4 years, with an option to extend for up to 3 years.

The Light Touch Regime (LTR) applies to the Services under this Contract, as per Procurement Act 2023

In order to be considered for this opportunity, you MUST have registered and submitted your core supplier information to the Central Digital Platform (CDP). Please visit <https://supplier-information.find-tender.service.gov.uk/> to register, and provide your core supplier information.

Total value (estimated)

- £1,362,900 excluding VAT
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Above the relevant threshold

Contract dates (estimated)

- 1 November 2025 to 31 October 2029
- Possible extension to 31 October 2032
- 7 years

Description of possible extension:

The Council proposes to enter into one (1) Contract for an initial period of 48 months with the preferred Potential Supplier, with an option to extend for up to 36 months, making 84 months in total.

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 85000000 - Health and social work services

Contract locations

- UKF25 - North Northamptonshire

Submission

Enquiry deadline

8 May 2025, 5:00pm

Tender submission deadline

15 May 2025, 12:00pm

Submission address and any special instructions

Please visit the North Northamptonshire Council e-Procurement Portal to apply for this opportunity and to access the documentation via the below link:

<https://in-tendhost.co.uk/nnc/aspx/ProjectManage/637>

Tenders may be submitted electronically

Yes

Languages that may be used for submission

English

Award decision date (estimated)

30 June 2025

Recurring procurement

Publication date of next tender notice (estimated): 1 April 2029

Award criteria

Name	Type	Weighting
Quality	Quality	100%

Other information

Conflicts assessment prepared/revised

Yes

Procedure

Procedure type

Open procedure

Special regime

Light touch

Justification for not publishing a preliminary market engagement notice

Preliminary Market Engagement Notice was not published as the event was conducted before the Central Digital Platform came live, but a notice was published in the Contracts Finder.

Contracting authority

North Northamptonshire Council

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Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government