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Tender

**Northamptonshire County Council (The Northamptonshire Children's Trust) is commissioning the provision of independent Fostering Agency and Children's Homes Placements for Children in Care in Northamptonshire.**

Northamptonshire Children's Trust

F21: Social and other specific services – public contracts

Contract notice

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## **Section I: Contracting authority**

### **I.1) Name and addresses**

Northamptonshire Children's Trust

One Angel Square, Angel Street

Northampton

NN1 1ED

#### **Email**

[procurement@northnorthants.gov.uk](mailto:procurement@northnorthants.gov.uk)

#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **NUTS code**

UKF24 - West Northamptonshire

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://procontract.due-north.com/Login>

Buyer's address

<https://procontract.due-north.com/Login>

**I.3) Communication**

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

[www.lgssprocurementportal.co.uk](http://www.lgssprocurementportal.co.uk)

**I.4) Type of the contracting authority**

Regional or local authority

**I.5) Main activity**

General public services

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**Section II: Object**

**II.1) Scope of the procurement**

**II.1.1) Title**

Northamptonshire County Council (The Northamptonshire Children's Trust) is commissioning the provision of independent Fostering Agency and Children's Homes Placements for Children in Care in Northamptonshire.

Reference number

DN436534

**II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 85000000 - Health and social work services

### **II.1.3) Type of contract**

Services

### **II.1.4) Short description**

Northamptonshire Children's Trust is commissioning the provision of independent Fostering Agency and Children's Homes Placements for Children in Care in Northamptonshire.

Any reference to Northamptonshire County Council or Children First Northamptonshire in this opportunity shall be interpreted and applied as a reference to Northamptonshire Children's Trust Limited.

The Framework Agreement is split into two (2) Lots:

- Lot 1: Independent Fostering Agency placements for Children in Care
  - Category 1.1: Standard
  - Category 1.2: Specialist
- Lot 2: Children's Homes placements for Children in Care
  - Category 2.1 - Standard
  - Category 2.2 - Specialist - Children with complex SEMH needs and low level disability
  - Category 2.3 - Specialist - Children with a disability and complex health needs

Potential Providers can apply for one or more Lots and Categories.

The Framework Agreement is advertised under the Light Touch Regime (LTR) and will therefore be reopened at regular intervals. The Council expects the Framework Agreement to re-open annually, but it may open at other intervals at its discretion.

### **II.1.6) Information about lots**

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

Tenders may be submitted for all lots

## **II.2) Description**

### **II.2.1) Title**

Independent Fostering Agency placements for Children in Care

Lot No

1

### **II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 85000000 - Health and social work services

### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UKF24 - West Northamptonshire
- UKF25 - North Northamptonshire

### **II.2.4) Description of the procurement**

- Lot 1: Independent Fostering Agency placements for Children in Care
  - Category 1.1: Standard
  - Category 1.2: Specialist

### **II.2.6) Estimated value**

Value excluding VAT: £6,000,000

### **II.2.7) Duration of the contract or the framework agreement**

Duration in months

48

### **II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds**

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

## **II.2) Description**

### **II.2.1) Title**

Lot No

2

### **II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 85000000 - Health and social work services

### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UKF24 - West Northamptonshire
- UKF25 - North Northamptonshire

### **II.2.4) Description of the procurement**

- Lot 2: Children's Homes placements for Children in Care
- Category 2.1 - Standard
- Category 2.2 - Specialist - Children with complex SEMH needs and low level disability
- Category 2.3 - Specialist - Children with a disability and complex health needs

### **II.2.6) Estimated value**

Value excluding VAT: £10,000,000

### **II.2.7) Duration of the contract or the framework agreement**

Duration in months

48

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## **Section IV. Procedure**

### **IV.1) Description**

#### **IV.1.1) Form of procedure**

Open procedure

### **IV.2) Administrative information**

#### **IV.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure**

Notice number: [2019/S 195-474828](#)

#### **IV.2.2) Time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate**

Date

9 August 2021

Local time

12:00pm

#### **IV.2.4) Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted**

English