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Planning

CoProduction and Collaboration

Essex County Council

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Scope

Reference

1100

Description

Coproduction and Lived Experience is a key priority for Adult Social Care in Essex. The purpose of this work is to ensure that the voices of people who access social care are core to the decisions and support that impact upon their lives.

ASC has some infrastructure in place to support coproduction and lived experience, but it requires improvement to maximise insights and influence change. The existing model enables coproduction to take place, holding quarterly in person forums and bringing a diverse range of people and groups together. It also has in place local representation groups for people with Learning Disabilities and/or Autism.

The Council wishes to build on the success of the current approach, enhancing engagement

opportunities, diversifying participation, and deepening the influence across all stages of service planning, delivery, and evaluation. This will be achieved through expanding the infrastructure in place to ensure a broad range of people can participate in a meaningful way in service, decisions and policies that impact upon their lives.

The current model focuses on individuals who use or experience adult social care services. However, the new model should be considered to expand and include those accessing both adult social care and health services across Essex, whilst ensuring a more integrated and comprehensive approach.

The purpose of the new coproduction model is to create an inclusive, sustainable infrastructure where people who use Adult Social Care services are recognised as experts in shaping and influencing the decisions that affect their support and wellbeing.

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Total value (estimated)

- £1,000,000 excluding VAT
- £1,200,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Contract dates (estimated)

- 1 October 2025 to 30 September 2028
- Possible extension to 30 September 2030
- 5 years

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 73200000 - Research and development consultancy services

Contract locations

- UKH3 - Essex

Engagement

Engagement deadline

5 May 2025

Engagement process description

Issue of market engagement briefing, with market questions to support procurement and specification development.

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Participation

Particular suitability

Small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)

Submission

Publication date of tender notice (estimated)

1 June 2025

Contracting authority

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