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Tender

CWC23108 - Black Country Advocacy For Children and Young People

Wolverhampton City Council

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Scope

Reference

CWC25014

Description

Advocacy is a Statutory Legal Requirement that Local Authorities must provide.

The legislation that guides advocacy is:

- The Children Act 1989 (Section 26(A))
- Planning Transition to Adulthood for Care Leavers - Care Leavers (England) Regulations 2010.
- Fostering National Minimum Standards 1.5 and Adoption National Minimum Standard 1.4

which require that - "Children have access to independent advice and support from adults who they can contact directly and in private about problems or concerns, which is appropriate to their age and understanding. Children know their rights to advocacy.

Three Black Country Authorities (Sandwell, Walsall and Wolverhampton) have collaborated to jointly commission the advocacy service to achieve best value. Its inception was in 2006, and the service was tendered in 2010, 2014, 2017 and 2020.

City of Wolverhampton Council,

Civic Centre,

St. Peter's Square,

Wolverhampton,

WV1 1SH

Sandwell Metropolitan Borough Council,

Sandwell Council House,

Freeth Street,

Oldbury,

B69 3DE

Walsall Council,

Civic Centre,

Darwall Street,

Walsall,

WS1 1TP

The City of Wolverhampton Council will lead on this new tender and contract management for the duration of the contract. The three authorities will contribute equally (33.33% per authority) to fund the contract value.

Total value (estimated)

- £945,000 excluding VAT
- £1,181,250 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Contract dates (estimated)

- 1 October 2025 to 1 October 2030
- Possible extension to 1 October 2032
- 7 years, 1 day

Description of possible extension:

The initial term will be for 5 (Five) years, with the option for 1(one) + 1(one) year extensions.

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 85300000 - Social work and related services

Contract locations

- UKG - West Midlands (England)

Participation

Particular suitability

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

Submission

Enquiry deadline

20 May 2025, 12:00pm

Deadline for requests to participate

29 May 2025, 12:00pm

Submission address and any special instructions

www.wolverhamptontenders.com

Appendix A - Our Council Our Plan

Appendix B - Black Country Advocacy for CYP Service Specification

Appendix C - ITT Instructions

Appendix D - CWC23108 - Contract Terms and Conditions

CWC23108 - Invitation to Tender

CWC23108 - Market Engagement Pack

CWC23108 - Black Country Advocacy Market Warming Event Presentation PowerPoint.

Tenders may be submitted electronically

Yes

Languages that may be used for submission

English

Award decision date (estimated)

11 July 2025

Award criteria

Name	Type	Weighting
Quality Questions including Quality EDI and Social Value		100%

Other information

Conflicts assessment prepared/revised

Yes

Procedure

Procedure type

Open procedure

Special regime

Light touch

Contracting authority

Wolverhampton City Council

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PVBV-7568-LBLL

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Wolverhampton

WV1 1RL

United Kingdom

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Region: UKG39 - Wolverhampton

Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government