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Award

Southampton Medical Outreach Service

Southampton City Council

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Scope

Reference

SCC-1321

Description

Southampton City Council is intending to commission Education Services- Medical Outreach Service, with an anticipated start date of 1st September 2025, for a period of 3 + 2 years.

Local Authorities have the statutory duty to arrange full (or part time when appropriate to needs) education for children of compulsory school age who, because of illness, would otherwise not receive suitable education (Section 19 Education Act).

The Service Provider will provide outreach tuition for between 16 and 24 Southampton pupils who are unable to attend their usual school due to medical needs.

Contract 1. Medical Outreach Service- Hospital School

Supplier

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Contract value

- £1,412,272 excluding VAT

- £1,694,726 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Earliest date the contract will be signed

1 June 2025

Contract dates (estimated)

- 1 September 2025 to 31 August 2028

- Possible extension to 31 August 2030

- 5 years

Description of possible extension:

One extension option available of an additional 2 years after the original contract end date

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 85000000 - Health and social work services

Contract locations

- UKJ32 - Southampton

Other information

Conflicts assessment prepared/revised

Yes

Procedure

Procedure type

Direct award

Special regime

Light touch

Direct award justification

Single supplier - technical reasons

This Direct Award has been considered in accordance with PA23 Schedule 5, Paragraph 6, where the following conditions are met in relation to the public contract-

(a)due to an absence of competition for technical reasons, only a particular supplier can supply the goods, services or works required, and

(b)there are no reasonable alternatives to those goods, services or works.

Following market research via a Prior Information Notice, the landscape of the sector has not changed and the incumbent service provider is uniquely placed to deliver the contract within the local authority bounds. A change in provider would likely disrupt well-established clinical and educational relationships, risking the loss of institutional knowledge and reducing effectiveness and safety of service delivery to vulnerable pupils. This could compromise both continuity of care and the Council's safeguarding duties. These interoperability and safety concerns confirm that no reasonable alternative provider exists and that a direct award is appropriate under Schedule 5, Paragraph 6 of the Procurement Act 2023.

It is intended that a Contract Award Notice will be published Monday 12th May 2025, observing an 8-working day standstill period to conclude at 00:00 on 21st May 2025. Representations during the standstill period should be made to procurementhealthandcareteam@southampton.gov.uk. Representations by providers must be made to the authority by the end of 21st May 2025.

Supplier

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Small or medium-sized enterprise (SME): No

Voluntary, community or social enterprise (VCSE): No

Contract 1. Medical Outreach Service- Hospital School

Contracting authority

Southampton City Council

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Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government