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Planning

Bright Start Outreach

Islington Council

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Scope

Reference

2526-0015

Description

The service will be aimed at supporting parents from the global majority in accessing both universal and targeted early years and family services within Islington's Bright Start offer for families and children from conception to age 5. The service will focus on promoting culturally responsive support through trusted community and cultural networks. The provider will be expected to signpost parents to relevant services ensuring they are aware of and can access the support available to them. The specific communities to be targeted will be determined based on data and market engagement, which may include Somali, Bengali, Turkish, Kurdish, Latin American, Black Caribbean, Eritrean, and other groups.

Contract Information (Indicative)

- Estimated Start Date: April 2026

- Potential Duration: 24 months initial term, with two optional extensions of 12 months each (24 + 12 + 12)
- Estimated Value: To be confirmed

How to Engage

Organisations interested in contributing to this early market engagement are invited to express their interest and attend a virtual Market Engagement Session on Tuesday 3 June 2025 at 10am. Contact Carlotta.ManziDavies@islington.gov.uk to book onto this session.

This is not a call for competition but a genuine opportunity to help shape future commissioning. Participation is voluntary and will not affect any future procurement process.

Total value (estimated)

- £400,000 including VAT

Below the relevant threshold

Contract dates (estimated)

- 1 April 2026 to 1 April 2028
- Possible extension to 1 April 2030
- 4 years, 1 day

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 85000000 - Health and social work services

Engagement

Engagement deadline

5 June 2025

Engagement process description

Important Information

This Notice is for informational purposes only and is not a formal invitation to tender. Its aim is to enhance transparency and competition for the upcoming contract notice. All details provided here may be updated or changed in the final contract notice.

The Council reserves the right to cancel, postpone, suspend or abort this procurement at any stage. The issue of this notice in no way commits the Council to commence the procurement process.

Engagement Session

Suppliers attended a virtual information and engagement session to be held on Microsoft Teams on Tuesday 3 June 2025 at 10:00am.

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Procedure

Special regime

Light touch

Contracting authority

Islington Council

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PBMD-2513-CWJJ

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Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government