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Pipeline

Early Education and Childcare

Westmorland and Furness Council

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Scope

Description

Westmorland and Furness Council is publishing this notice to advise of its future intentions to consider the re-procurement of Early Education and Childcare Places.

Local authorities have a legislative duty to secure free childcare places for eligible two, three and four year olds. Every child is eligible for up to 570 hours (1140 for families eligible for 30 hours free childcare per academic year over no fewer than 38 weeks and up to 52 weeks of the year).

Local Authorities have a duty to ensure that each child is able to access their free entitlement no later than the beginning of the term following the meeting of the eligibility criteria.

Westmorland & Furness Council is considering the future commissioning of this service and the future procurement in order that they meet statutory requirements outlined.

Commercial tool

Establishes a framework

Total value (estimated)

- £1 excluding VAT
- £1 including VAT

Contract dates (estimated)

- 1 September 2027 to 31 August 2030
- 3 years

Main category

Services

CPV classifications

- 80110000 - Pre-school education services
- 85312110 - Child daycare services

Contract locations

- UKD12 - East Cumbria

Participation

Particular suitability

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

Submission

Publication date of tender notice (estimated)

1 October 2026

Procedure

Procedure type

Open procedure

Special regime

Light touch

Above or below total value threshold

Above or equal to threshold

Contracting authority

Westmorland and Furness Council

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PYYD-1758-YNVR

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Region: UKD12 - East Cumbria

Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government