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## **County Durham Children and Young People's Independent Advocacy Service**

Durham County Council

F21: Social and other specific services – public contracts

Contract notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-036731

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### **Section I: Contracting authority**

#### **I.1) Name and addresses**

Durham County Council

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#### **Contact**

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#### **Country**

United Kingdom

**Region code**

UKC14 - Durham CC

**Justification for not providing organisation identifier**

Not on any register

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

[www.durham.gov.uk](http://www.durham.gov.uk)

Buyer's address

[www.nepo.org](http://www.nepo.org)

**I.3) Communication**

The procurement documents are available for unrestricted and full direct access, free of charge, at

[www.nepo.org](http://www.nepo.org)

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

[www.nepo.org](http://www.nepo.org)

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**I.4) Type of the contracting authority**

Regional or local authority

**I.5) Main activity**

General public services

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## **Section II: Object**

### **II.1) Scope of the procurement**

#### **II.1.1) Title**

County Durham Children and Young People's Independent Advocacy Service

Reference number

DN618536

#### **II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 85000000 - Health and social work services

#### **II.1.3) Type of contract**

Services

#### **II.1.4) Short description**

This contract is for a service to ensure that children in need who receive services from Durham County Council's Children's Services and Aycliffe Secure Service have access to independent advocacy services which will ensure they have a say in decisions made about their lives, are enabled to share their concerns about their circumstances, will be listened to and heard and are treated fairly in the course of their contact with the Children's Services.

Tender Documents can be accessed free of charge at [www.nepo.org](http://www.nepo.org) utilising reference DN618536

#### **II.1.5) Estimated total value**

Value excluding VAT: £600,000

#### **II.1.6) Information about lots**

This contract is divided into lots: No

### **II.2) Description**

#### **II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 85000000 - Health and social work services

### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UKC14 - Durham CC

### **II.2.4) Description of the procurement**

This procurement is issued under an Open Tender process in line with Public Contracts Regulation 2015, under Regulation 74 of the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 for contracts for social and other specific services (Light Touch Regime).

The contract is for the provision of an Independent Advocacy Service for Children and Young People ("the Contract") to Durham County Council .

The Council believes that the Transfer of Undertakings (Protection of Employment) Regulations 2006 (TUPE) applies to this contract.

### **II.2.7) Duration of the contract or the framework agreement**

Start date

1 December 2022

End date

30 November 2025

### **II.2.14) Additional information**

The proposed contract is to be let with an option to extend for a further 2 periods of 12 months from the actual end date, subject to budget and commissioner approval.

## **Section IV. Procedure**

### **IV.2) Administrative information**

#### **IV.2.2) Time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate**

Date

10 October 2022

Local time

12:00pm

#### **IV.2.4) Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted**

English