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Planning

## **Market Engagement - SEND Placements**

Thurrock Council

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

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

Thurrock Council

Grays

RM17 6SL

#### **Email**

[procurement@thurrock.gov.uk](mailto:procurement@thurrock.gov.uk)

#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **NUTS code**

UKH32 - Thurrock

#### **Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://www.thurrock.gov.uk/>

Buyer's address

<https://in-tendhost.co.uk/thurrockcouncil.aspx/Home>

### **I.3) Communication**

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

### **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**

Market Engagement - SEND Placements

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

- 85310000 - Social work services

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

Services

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

Thurrock Council is seeking to develop a framework of providers to deliver day and residential educational support placements to children and young people with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) up to the age of 25 years old. Our vision is in securing SEND day and residential placements provision in and outside of Thurrock, ideally as close to the homes of Thurrock's children and young people as possible to allow them to remain within their local communities. Our aim is to support positive family relationships, reduce family travel costs to provision often located a long distance away from a child or young person's home and family in Thurrock and reduce expensive out of borough care. Providers should be able to offer day and/or residential educational placements with a range of specialist support and service responses.

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

Value excluding VAT: £30,800,000

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

This contract is divided into lots: No

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

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

- 80340000 - Special education services

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

NUTS codes

- UKH32 - Thurrock

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

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1. Virtual Event on Monday 31st October 2022 at 10.30am.  
<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/virtual-market-engagement-send-placements-tickets-438948596067?aff=ebdsoporgprofile2>. In-Person Event on Monday 14th November 2022 at 10.00am.  
<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/market-engagement-send-placements-tickets-438918465947?aff=ebdsoporgprofile>

## **II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice**

10 October 2022

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## **Section IV. Procedure**

### **IV.1) Description**

#### **IV.1.8) Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)**

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: No