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Planning

Bedford Borough Council Provision of Domiciliary Care within 4 Extra Care Schemes

Bedford Borough Council

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Scope

Description

Onsite domiciliary care within the following extra care schemes:

- Gordon Collings House (MK42)

55 Units

489 care hours per week including 7 residents requiring 2:1 calls day and night

Current contract arrangement: 24/7 coverage, amalgamated contract with St Bede's

- St Bede's (MK40)

104 units (51 units are affordable rent with the remainder privately-owned units)

212 care hours per week including 2 residents requiring 2:1 calls day and night

Current contract arrangement: 24/7 coverage, amalgamated contract with Gordon Collings House

- Wootton Vale (MK43)

55 units

445 care hours per week including 6 residents requiring 2:1 calls day and night

Current contract arrangement: 24/7 coverage, Individual contract

- Sir William Harpur House (MK41)

37 units

179 care hours per hour including 1 residents requiring 2:1 calls day

Current contract arrangement: 7am-10pm coverage, individual contract

This Notice is intended to notify the market of the upcoming tender opportunity. Bedford Borough Council would like to gauge the level of interest in the contract opportunity; the market engagement will also help to inform the service model/s and cost model/s specified under the tender.

Could you please indicate if you:

- ☐ May be interested in bidding for the tender
- ☐ are not interested in bidding for this tender

The market engagement to be held over the coming months; please indicate your preference:

- ☐ a virtual event on Teams
- ☐ a face-to-face event in Bedford Borough
- ☐ a survey via email

Please email Claire Churchley (Email: claire.churchley@bedford.gov.uk) for enquiries and to register an interest.

Contract dates (estimated)

- 18 May 2026 to 18 May 2031
- Possible extension to 18 May 2033
- 7 years, 1 day

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 85300000 - Social work and related services

Contract locations

- UKH24 - Bedford

Engagement

Engagement deadline

1 July 2025

Engagement process description

The market engagement to be held over the coming months through one of the following:

- a virtual event on Microsoft Teams
- a face-to-face event in Bedford Borough
- a survey via email

Participation

Particular suitability

Small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)

Submission

Publication date of tender notice (estimated)

16 October 2025

Procedure

Special regime

Light touch

Contracting authority

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Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government