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Planning

## **Advocacy and Independent Visitor Service 2025**

Bristol City Council

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### **Scope**

### **Reference**

DN775586

### **Description**

The council wishes to appoint a provider(s) for the provision of

Lot 1: Advocacy Service for Children in Care, Care Leavers and Children Subject to Child Protection Conferences

and

Lot 2: Independent Visitor Service for Children in Care

Light touch - above threshold

## **Contract dates (estimated)**

- 1 December 2025 to 1 September 2028
- Possible extension to 1 September 2030
- 4 years, 9 months, 1 day

Description of possible extension:

2x12 month extensions available

May be extended up to 2 years in total

## **Main procurement category**

Services

## **Not the same for all lots**

CPV classifications are shown in Lot sections, because they are not the same for all lots.

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## **Lot 1. Advocacy Service for Children in Care, Care Leavers and Children Subject to Child Protection Conferences**

## Description

Advocacy is about empowering children and young people to make sure that their views and wishes are heard at all times and represented in decision making processes. The Council's vision is that all children and young people in Bristol feel listened to and empowered, have choice and control over their support, and have their rights upheld. Furthermore, the views put forward by children and young people should inform the development of the Council's services.

The service will provide advocacy services for Bristol's Children and Young People in Care, Care Leavers and Children and Young People subject to Child Protection conferences.

## Same for all lots

Contract dates are shown in the Scope section, because they are the same for all lots.

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## Lot 2. Independent Visitor Service for Children in Care

### Description

The service will recruit, train and support appropriate adult volunteers to act as Independent Visitors for children and young people looked after by the Authority. The Visitors role is to befriend and advise these children and contribute towards their social, emotional and educational development

### CPV classifications

- 85000000 - Health and social work services

## Same for all lots

Contract dates are shown in the Scope section, because they are the same for all lots.

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## **Submission**

### **Publication date of tender notice (estimated)**

27 June 2025

### **Deadline for requests to participate**

17 July 2025, 12:00pm

### **Submission address and any special instructions**

bid submissions will be electronic via: <https://procontract.due-north.com>

### **Tenders may be submitted electronically**

Yes

### **Award decision date (estimated)**

11 September 2025

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## Procedure

### Procedure type

Open procedure

### Special regime

Light touch

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## Contracting authority

### Bristol City Council

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PWXH-3837-PDTD

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Region: UKK11 - Bristol, City of

Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government