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Planning Statutory Advocacy Service

Staffordshire County Council

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Scope

Reference

IA3595

Description

The Council wishes to commission a Statutory Advocacy Service for for eligible Individuals across Staffordshire.

Contract dates (estimated)

- 1 April 2026 to 31 March 2028
- Possible extension to 31 March 2029
- 3 years

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

• 85000000 - Health and social work services

Contract locations

• UKG24 - Staffordshire CC

Engagement

Engagement deadline

25 June 2025

Engagement process description

The Council wishes to commission a Statutory Advocacy Service for eligible Individuals across Staffordshire.

The Council is keen to understand the following provider views from the market, particularly from a Small and Medium Enterprise (SME) point of view:-

1. How can the Council remove/reduce any barriers for providers, particularly SME's, during the tender process?

2. What risks do you think might affect your organisation during the delivery of the Service? For example, legislative changes, IT systems, changes to standards, resource,

value for money and operational considerations.

Please send your responses in a pdf word document to <u>wholelifedisability@staffordshire.gov.uk</u> by Wednesday 25 June 2025.

The Council anticipates issuing a tender notice on Tuesday 19 August 2025 and currently envisages the tender closing 12 noon Friday 19 September 2025.

It is anticipated that a bidder event will be held on Wednesday 27 August 2025 (date dependent on the actual tender live date).

As well as completing the required tender documents Suppliers will be required to register on the Central Digital Platform (CDP), to find out more please access the following information:

https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/information-and-guidance-for-suppliers

https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/media/67bdf4e489b4a58925ac6d53/20250224_A ct_Now__Find_a_Tender_Factsheet_v3.0_FINAL.pdf

The tender will be issued via the Council's e-tendering system Proactis and you must be registered to participate in the procurement opportunity. You can register expressions of interest via the Councils e-tendering portal

https://supplierlive.proactisp2p.com/Default.aspx

Please search for IA3595 Statutory Advocacy Service.

Participation

Particular suitability

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

Submission

Publication date of tender notice (estimated)

19 August 2025

Procedure

Special regime

Light touch

Contracting authority

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Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government