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Tender

## **Independent Advocacy Services for Adults**

Stirling Council  
Clackmannanshire Council  
Falkirk Council  
NHS Forth Valley

F21: Social and other specific services – public contracts  
Contract notice  
Notice identifier: 2025/S 000-034243  
Procurement identifier (OCID): ocids-h6vhtk-05515c  
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### **Section I: Contracting authority**

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

Stirling Council  
  
Procurement, Teith House  
  
Stirling  
  
FK7 7QA

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#### **Telephone**

+44 1786404040

#### **Country**

United Kingdom

**NUTS code**

UKM77 - Perth & Kinross and Stirling

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<http://www.stirling.gov.uk>

Buyer's address

[https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search\\_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA00146](https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA00146)

**I.1) Name and addresses**

Clackmannanshire Council

Kilncraigs, Greenside Street

Alloa

FK10 1EB

**Email**

[Procurement@clacks.gov.uk](mailto:Procurement@clacks.gov.uk)

**Telephone**

+44 1259450000

**Country**

United Kingdom

**NUTS code**

UKM72 - Clackmannanshire and Fife

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<http://www.clacks.gov.uk/business/corporateprocurementprocess/>

Buyer's address

[https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search\\_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA00260](https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA00260)

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

Falkirk Council

The Foundry, 4 Central Boulevard, Central Park

Larbert

FK5 4RU

### **Email**

[cpu@falkirk.gov.uk](mailto:cpu@falkirk.gov.uk)

### **Telephone**

+44 1324506070

### **Country**

United Kingdom

### **NUTS code**

UKM76 - Falkirk

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

Main address

<http://www.falkirk.gov.uk>

Buyer's address

[https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search\\_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA00184](https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA00184)

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

NHS Forth Valley

Trust Headquarters, Carseview Castle Business Park

Stirling

FK9 4SW

### **Email**

[david.logie@nhs.scot](mailto:david.logie@nhs.scot)

### **Telephone**

+44 1786463031

### **Country**

United Kingdom

### **NUTS code**

UKM76 - Falkirk

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

Main address

<http://www.nhsforthvalley.com>

Buyer's address

[https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search\\_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA00067](https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA00067)

## **I.2) Information about joint procurement**

The contract involves joint procurement

## **I.3) Communication**

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

charge, at

<https://www.publictendersscotland.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

<https://www.publictendersscotland.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk>

#### **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**

Independent Advocacy Services for Adults

Reference number

SC2425-0150

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

- 98000000 - Other community, social and personal services

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

Services

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

Independent advocacy services for adults within the Forth Valley area

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

Value excluding VAT: £1,878,559

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

This contract is divided into lots: No

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

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

- 85300000 - Social work and related services

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

NUTS codes

- UKM77 - Perth & Kinross and Stirling
- UKM76 - Falkirk
- UKM72 - Clackmannanshire and Fife

Main site or place of performance

Forth Valley

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

Provision of independent advocacy services in the Forth valley area.

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

Duration in months

48

#### **II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds**

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

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## **Section III. Legal, economic, financial and technical information**

### **III.1) Conditions for participation**

#### **III.1.4) Objective rules and criteria for participation**

List and brief description of rules and criteria

It is a mandatory requirement the independent advocacy organisation providing services has the governance arrangements that meet the Principles of the following publications by SIAA:

Independent Advocacy Principles, Standards and Code of Best Practice (2019)

Outcomes Framework: Toolkit for Demonstrating Impact of Independent Advocacy (2019)

Advocating for Human Rights (2017)

Working with Children and Young people: Guidelines for Advocates (2016)

Families at Risk Guidance (2014)

Working with People in Prison Guidelines (2014)

Independent Advocacy and Self-directed Support (2015)

Mental Health Tribunal Advocacy Guidelines (2012)

Independent Advocacy: An Evaluation Framework (2010)

Non-Instructed Advocacy Guidelines: A Companion to the Code of Practice for Independent Advocacy (2009)

### **III.2) Conditions related to the contract**

#### **III.2.3) Information about staff responsible for the performance of the contract**

Obligation to indicate the names and professional qualifications of the staff assigned to performing the contract

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## **Section IV. Procedure**

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

#### **IV.1.1) Form of procedure**

Open procedure

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

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

Date

29 July 2025

Local time

12:00pm

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

English



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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.3) Additional information**

The buyer is using PCS-Tender to conduct this ITT exercise. The Project code is 29494.  
For more information see:

<http://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/info/InfoCentre.aspx?ID=2343>

Community benefits are included in this requirement. For more information see:

<https://www.gov.scot/policies/public-sector-procurement/community-benefits-in-procurement/>

A summary of the expected community benefits has been provided as follows:

Community Benefits are contractual requirements which deliver a wider social benefit in addition to the core purpose of the foregoing contract.

Bidders should detail any community benefits specifically for the Forth Valley area which you will apply to this contract. We anticipate these may relate to training or support to local charities, groups, education facilities etc.

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### **VI.4) Procedures for review**

#### **VI.4.1) Review body**

Stirling Sherrif Court

Stirling

Country

United Kingdom