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Planning

## Essex Children's Homes Collaboration event

Essex County Council

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## Scope

### Description

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Understand strengths and values

Understand gaps in the market

Provide networking time for providers to connect with each other

Shape a new commissioning model

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<https://forms.office.com/pages/responsepage.aspx?id=TzK0qFwVFUKg8X7YzJqZLzvw6VkFTuNlnAaV1ee3RctUQ1BYUUFJUDM1SUQ4TzNMMDDBESFFFOFQzRy4u&route=shorturl>

Please be advised that any information regarding the contract value and contract duration within this notice are provided for indicative purposes to fulfil the requirements of the online form. The Council reserves the right to review and amend this information and will publish the actual position within the tender.

In addition, please note that the response deadline within this notice relates to the deadline for expressing interest in attending this engagement event to facilitate the scheduling arrangements. The Council will publish details of any further market engagement notices regarding this project via separate notices in due course.

## **Contract dates (estimated)**

- 1 June 2026 to 30 May 2029
- 2 years, 11 months, 30 days

## **Main procurement category**

Services

## **CPV classifications**

- 85000000 - Health and social work services

## **Contract locations**

- UKH3 - Essex

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## **Engagement**

### **Engagement deadline**

11 July 2025

### **Engagement process description**

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## **Participation**

### **Particular suitability**

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

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## **Procedure**

### **Special regime**

Light touch

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## **Contracting authority**

### **Essex County Council**

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Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government