

This is a published notice on the Find a Tender service: <https://www.find-tender.service.gov.uk/Notice/036715-2025>

Tender

Recruitment and Management of Children's Agency Social Workers

Sandwell Metropolitan Borough Council

UK4: Tender notice - Procurement Act 2023 - [view information about notice types](#)

Notice identifier: 2025/S 000-036715

Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-055765

Published 2 July 2025, 11:40am

Scope

Reference

SMBC 25060

Description

A key priority of the Sandwell Children's Trust's workforce strategy is to stabilise the workforce and build sustainable capacity for the future. A critical part of this is the Trust's ability to utilise Children's Agency Social Workers in an efficient and effective manner to meet any shortfalls in permanent staffing, and to deal with specific peaks in caseloads.

Total value (estimated)

- £10,000,000 excluding VAT
- £12,000,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Contract dates (estimated)

- 1 December 2025 to 30 November 2027
- Possible extension to 30 November 2028
- 3 years

Description of possible extension:

The Initial term of the contract is for two (2) years, with an option to extend for a further one (1) year

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 79600000 - Recruitment services
- 85300000 - Social work and related services
- 85320000 - Social services

Contract locations

- UKG37 - Sandwell

Submission

Tender submission deadline

8 August 2025, 4:00pm

Submission address and any special instructions

The Council will be using the In-tend e-Tendering System for this Procurement exercise, please visit <https://in-tendhost.co.uk/sandwellmbc> to access the Sandwell MBC In-tend Supplier Portal. From here you will be able to register your company, express an interest in the opportunity, and gain immediate access to the ITT and other related documents.

Tenders may be submitted electronically

Yes

Languages that may be used for submission

English

Award decision date (estimated)

2 October 2025

Recurring procurement

Publication date of next tender notice (estimated): 2 July 2028

Award criteria

Name	Description	Type
Simple description	Please refer to ITT document	Price

Weighting description

Please refer to ITT document

Other information

Conflicts assessment prepared/revised

Yes

Procedure

Procedure type

Open procedure

Contracting authority

Sandwell Metropolitan Borough Council

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PJHD-8764-YRJJ

Sandwell Council House, Freeth Street

Oldbury

B69 3DE

United Kingdom

Email: michelle_hackwood@sandwell.gov.uk

Website: <https://in-tendhost.co.uk/sandwellmbc>

Region: UKG37 - Sandwell

Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government