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Tender

## **Bath and North East Somerset ASC Sensory Impairment Support Services**

Bath and North East Somerset Council

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Notice identifier: 2025/S 000-037072

Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-055838

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### **Scope**

### **Reference**

DN780788

### **Description**

Bath & North East Somerset wishes to establish a single provider Contract for the provision of the ASC Sensory Impairment Support Services . The procurement is run in accordance with the Procurement Act 2023, Light Touch Regime (LTR) below-threshold, one stage tender.

The Sensory Impairment Support Service will provide support to people who live in B&NES or are registered with a GP in B&NES who have a hearing and or visual impairment. The service will offer Information and Advice, access to assistive equipment and facilitate social activities and opportunities. The service will take a person-centred approach and provide flexible and responsive service, promoting individuals' ability to maintain their independence

and build connections within their communities.

The service will provide comprehensive information, advice, support, and representation to individuals living with hearing and sight loss in Bath and North East Somerset. This includes offering assistive equipment, facilitating social activities, and providing community outreach support. Additionally, the service will offer guidance on communication needs and signpost individuals to relevant courses as appropriate.

### **Total value (estimated)**

- £863,720 excluding VAT
- £863,720 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

### **Contract dates (estimated)**

- 1 January 2026 to 31 December 2030
- Possible extension to 31 December 2032
- 7 years

Description of possible extension:

Potential 2 year extension beyond the initial term.

If contract extension is taken the contract expires 31st December 2032.

The Contract Terms include a discretionary uplift. The values have been uplifted to allow some headroom for any potential uplifts, which are not guaranteed.

## **Main procurement category**

Services

## **CPV classifications**

- 85310000 - Social work services

## **Contract locations**

- UKK12 - Bath and North East Somerset, North Somerset and South Gloucestershire

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## **Participation**

### **Particular suitability**

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

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## **Submission**

## **Enquiry deadline**

25 July 2025, 5:00pm

### **Tender submission deadline**

4 August 2025, 12:00pm

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

<https://procontract.due-north.com/Advert?advertId=5a7df2dc-e957-f011-813a-005056b64545&fromRfxSummary=True&rfxId=cab12db9-eb57-f011-813a-005056b64545>

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

Yes

### **Languages that may be used for submission**

English

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

30 September 2025

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### **Award criteria**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Type</b>	<b>Weighting</b>
Quality	Technical See published Invitation to Tender and supporting documentation	Quality	60%
Contract Price	Economic See published Invitation to Tender and supporting documentation	Price	30%
Social Value	Technical See published Invitation to Tender and supporting documentation	Quality	10%

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## **Other information**

### **Description of risks to contract performance**

The Council has identified certain foreseeable but uncertain risks ("Known Unknowns") within the Tender, including but not limited to the following:

- changes in demand;
- adjustments to public sector funding;
- amendments to laws, regulations, or national policy (e.g., NICE, CQC, Care Act);
- technology failures or integration challenges;
- workforce shortages or recruitment issues;
- health inequality or access barriers; and

- emergencies or civil contingencies

## **Conflicts assessment prepared/revised**

Yes

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## **Procedure**

### **Procedure type**

Open procedure

### **Special regime**

Light touch

## **Justification for not publishing a preliminary market engagement notice**

Market engagement commenced under the previous regime. A PIN was published under PCR15 and early market engagement commenced. The reference of the PIN is 20240911-000010

A Planned Procurement Notice (UK3) was published (2025/S 000-014128) and a final engagement session was held, confirming the Council's intentions.

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## Documents

### Associated tender documents

<https://www.procontract.due-north.com>

Contract reference number: DN779257

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### Technical specifications to be met

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## **Contracting authority**

### **Bath and North East Somerset Council**

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PLVH-3287-JWJV

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Region: UKK12 - Bath and North East Somerset, North Somerset and South Gloucestershire

Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government