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Tender

Framework for Residential Care for individuals with a Learning Disability and/or Autism who are aged over 18 and require personal care

Stockton on Tees Borough Council

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Scope

Reference

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Description

This tender is applicable to Residential Care Homes located within the boundaries of the Borough of Stockton-on-Tees. The Care Home will be registered with the Care Quality Commission for the regulated service - Accommodation for persons who require nursing or personal care, with the specialism of learning disabilities.

It is not applicable to Personal Care Providers who provide domiciliary services in people's homes (This is covered by the Council's existing Care at Home Framework).

Tenders may be submitted by Providers who have CQC registered Residential Care Homes located outside of the Borough of Stockton-on-Tees, who would be interested in developing new Residential Provision for people with Learning Disabilities, at a future

date.

Commercial tool

Establishes an open framework

A series of frameworks with substantially the same terms. Awarded suppliers are carried over and new suppliers can bid.

Total value (estimated)

- £28,600,000 excluding VAT
- £28,600,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Contract dates (estimated)

- 1 October 2025 to 31 March 2029
- Possible extension to 31 March 2031
- 5 years, 6 months

Description of possible extension:

2 x optional extensions of 12 months may be taken.

Consideration will be given to the efficient operation of the Framework and any changes impacting the Residential Care Home sector at the time.

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 85311000 - Social work services with accommodation

Contract locations

- UKC11 - Hartlepool and Stockton-on-Tees
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Lot 1. Residential Care (permanent, short stay, respite) for both people with moderate and complex LD and / or Autism needs (mixed provision).

Description

Residential service can support people with both moderate and complex needs, with identified models of care and support to ensure services are safe and sustainable. The home can identify the number of beds for moderate and complex. The environment can support people with physical impairment.

Delivery as per the Service Specification

Lot value (estimated)

- £28,600,000 excluding VAT
- £28,600,000 including VAT

Framework lot values may be shared with other lots

Same for all lots

CPV classifications, contract locations and contract dates are shown in the Scope section, because they are the same for all lots.

Lot 2. Nursing Care (permanent, short stay, respite) for both people with moderate and complex needs (mixed provision).

Description

Residential service can support people with both moderate and complex needs, with identified models of care and support to ensure services are safe and sustainable. The home can identify the number of beds for moderate and complex. The environment can support people with physical impairment.

Services will be delivered in line with the Service Specification

Lot value (estimated)

- £28,600,000 excluding VAT
- £28,600,000 including VAT

Framework lot values may be shared with other lots

Same for all lots

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Lot 3. Residential Care (permanent, short stay, respite) for young people with moderate and complex LD and / or Autism needs (mixed provision) transitioning from children's services into adulthood.

Description

Residential service can support young people with both moderate and complex needs, with identified models of care and support to ensure services are safe and sustainable and support is time limited to support the young person to independent living. The home can identify the number of beds for moderate and complex. The environment can support people with physical impairment.

Services will be delivered in line with Service Specification

Lot value (estimated)

- £28,600,000 excluding VAT
- £28,600,000 including VAT

Framework lot values may be shared with other lots

Same for all lots

CPV classifications, contract locations and contract dates are shown in the Scope section, because they are the same for all lots.

Lot 4. Residential Care (permanent, short stay, respite) for both older people with moderate and complex LD and / or Autism needs with associated age-related care & health needs (mixed provision).

Description

Residential service can support older people with both moderate and complex learning disability needs plus age, related health and care needs (including dementia), with identified models of care and support to ensure services are safe and sustainable. The home can identify the number of beds for moderate and complex. The environment can support people with physical impairment.

Services will be delivered in line with Service Specification

Lot value (estimated)

- £28,600,000 excluding VAT
- £28,600,000 including VAT

Framework lot values may be shared with other lots

Same for all lots

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Lot 5. Short Term Residential Beds (reserved for this use only).

Description

Short term residential service can support people with both moderate and complex needs. The beds will be available only for the use on this framework for people assessed as requiring:

- Planned and/or emergency respite.
- Crisis respite beds; and / or
- Time to think provision.

Services will be delivered in line with Service Specification

Lot value (estimated)

- £28,600,000 excluding VAT
- £28,600,000 including VAT

Framework lot values may be shared with other lots

Same for all lots

CPV classifications, contract locations and contract dates are shown in the Scope section, because they are the same for all lots.

Framework

Open framework scheme end date (estimated)

31 March 2031

Maximum number of suppliers

Unlimited

Maximum percentage fee charged to suppliers

0%

Further information about fees

Not applicable

Framework operation description

Prices will be negotiated, based on the care needs of individual placements, using information from the Care & Support Plan of individuals and information provided by the Care Home Provider.

The choice of Care Home will be based on Service User/Service User Family/Advocate choice, based on the suitability and location which best suits the individual's residential care needs, based on the knowledge of a multi-disciplinary team who have involvement with this cohort of people.

Award method when using the framework

Without competition

Contracting authorities that may use the framework

Establishing party only

Participation

Technical ability conditions of participation

Lot 1. Residential Care (permanent, short stay, respite) for both people with moderate and complex LD and / or Autism needs (mixed provision).

Lot 2. Nursing Care (permanent, short stay, respite) for both people with moderate and complex needs (mixed provision).

Lot 3. Residential Care (permanent, short stay, respite) for young people with moderate and complex LD and / or Autism needs (mixed provision) transitioning from children's services into adulthood.

Lot 4. Residential Care (permanent, short stay, respite) for both older people with moderate and complex LD and / or Autism needs with associated age-related care & health needs (mixed provision).

Lot 5. Short Term Residential Beds (reserved for this use only).

Care Quality Commission registration for the relevant regulated activity and specialism - Accommodation for persons who require nursing or personal care, with the specialism of learning disabilities.

Particular suitability

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Lot 3. Residential Care (permanent, short stay, respite) for young people with moderate and complex LD and / or Autism needs (mixed provision) transitioning from children's services into adulthood.

Lot 4. Residential Care (permanent, short stay, respite) for both older people with moderate and complex LD and / or Autism needs with associated age-related care & health needs (mixed provision).

Lot 5. Short Term Residential Beds (reserved for this use only).

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

Submission

Enquiry deadline

11 August 2025, 11:59pm

Tender submission deadline

18 August 2025, 12:00pm

Submission address and any special instructions

<https://open-uk.org/>

Tenders may be submitted electronically

Yes

Languages that may be used for submission

English

Award decision date (estimated)

18 September 2025

Recurring procurement

Publication date of next tender notice (estimated): 1 July 2030

Award criteria

Name	Description	Type
Required CQC Registration	<p>This tender is applicable to Residential Care Homes located within the boundaries of the Borough of Stockton-on-Tees. The Care Home will be registered with the Care Quality Commission for the regulated service - Accommodation for persons who require nursing or personal care, with the specialism of learning disabilities. It is not applicable to Personal Care Providers who provide domiciliary services in people's homes (This is covered by the Council's existing Care at Home Framework). Tenders may be submitted by Providers who have Residential Care Homes located outside of the Borough of Stockton-on-Tees, who would be interested in developing new Residential Provision for people with Learning Disabilities, at a future date.</p>	Quality
Geographical Location	<p>As residents of Stockton, the requirement for this Framework is that the Residential Care Homes are located within the Borough of Stockton-on-Tees. The settings will be quality assured through the Council's QA procedures and subject to the Council's compliance processes, including assessment and inspection.</p>	Quality

Name	Description	Type
Participation in Fee Negotiation Process	Bidders will confirm that they will participate in fee negotiations using the Council's CareCubed care fee calculator tool. The Council will set out a process, including timescales, under which the negotiation process will operate and will introduce an oversight process.	Price

Weighting description

The bidder will meet the Mandatory Requirements of the buyer in relation to registration for required regulated services and geographical location, within the Borough of Stockton-on-Tees

Other information

Payment terms

2 weeks in arrears and 2 weeks in advance (4-weekly payment cycle)

Description of risks to contract performance

Changes to CQC registration requirements

Changes to individual CQC rating of Care Homes, resulting in suspension or termination of settings.

Changes to Fee setting process

Conflicts assessment prepared/revised

Yes

Procedure

Procedure type

Open procedure

Special regime

Light touch

Contracting authority

Stockton on Tees Borough Council

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Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government