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Planning

## **Safe Accommodation (refuge) and Support Services across WNC & NNC**

West Northamptonshire Council  
North Northamptonshire Council

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### **Scope**

### **Reference**

WNC00000505

### **Description**

West Northamptonshire Council (WNC) and North Northamptonshire Council (NNC) intend to run an open tender procedure to attract providers with the necessary skills and experience to deliver safe accommodation (refuge) and support services for victims and survivors of domestic abuse, as defined by the Domestic Abuse Act 2021.

The services to be delivered under contract are:

- Refuge accommodation, women's only refuge, men's only refuge, specialist drug and alcohol refuge and a specialist multi-cultural/diversity refuge across 47 units of accommodation; bed spaces.

- Therapeutic group work with adult survivors;
- Therapeutic group work with children and young people including play therapy;
- Counselling service;
- Children's and Young people's outreach support including a CHIDVA (Children's IDVA);
- Floating support/outreach, community based;
- Information and Advice - Helpline;
- Awareness raising training
- Housing IDVAs;
- Sanctuary Scheme;
- No recourse to public funds
- By and for service to supporting diverse communities including harmful practices and training.

The services will be delivered as a 3+1+1 year contract, commencing in April 2026.

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

- 1 April 2026 to 30 June 2029
- Possible extension to 30 June 2031
- 5 years, 3 months

### **Main procurement category**

Services

## **CPV classifications**

- 85311000 - Social work services with accommodation

## **Contract locations**

- UKF - East Midlands (England)

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## **Engagement**

### **Engagement deadline**

5 August 2025

### **Engagement process description**

WNC & NNC would like to invite potential providers to attend a face to face Market Engagement event on Tuesday 5th August 2025 at 10.30 am- 12:30 pm.

Venue: Jeffrey Room, The Guildhall, West Northamptonshire Council St Giles Square Northampton NN1 1DE.

The purpose of the event is to discuss the service and support the market to understand how to bid for the tender in preparation for when the opportunity is live. The session will provide an opportunity for potential providers to review the chosen service model and service requirements. Attendees will have the chance to offer final views and comments, helping to ensure that the proposed approach is clear, achievable, and aligned with service user needs.

This event is designed to support transparency and engagement, allowing providers to seek clarification, share insights, and prepare for the forthcoming tender process.

We encourage all interested organisations to attend and contribute to this discussion.

Potential providers of the service that wish to attend the event must email

[procurement@westnorthants.gov.uk](mailto:procurement@westnorthants.gov.uk) by noon on 4th August 2025 and provide the following information:

- Name of organisation
- Name of attendee(s) and their job role/title
- Email address of attendee(s)

Participation or non-participation in this market exercise shall not prevent any organisation participating in any potential procurement process nor is it intended that any information supplied shall place any organisation at an advantage in any forthcoming procurement process

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## **Participation**

### **Particular suitability**

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

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## **Submission**

### **Publication date of tender notice (estimated)**

27 August 2025

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## Procedure

### Special regime

Light touch

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## Contracting authorities

### West Northamptonshire Council

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PGDV-8944-CMBP

Angel Street

Northampton

NN1 1ED

United Kingdom

Email: [procurement@westnorthants.gov.uk](mailto:procurement@westnorthants.gov.uk)

Region: UKF24 - West Northamptonshire

Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government

### North Northamptonshire Council

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PQCM-5634-HGCN

The Corby Cube, George Street

Corby

NN17 1QG

United Kingdom

Email: [procurement@northnorthants.gov.uk](mailto:procurement@northnorthants.gov.uk)

Region: UKF25 - North Northamptonshire

Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government

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## Contact organisation

Contact West Northamptonshire Council for any enquiries.