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Tender

North Northamptonshire Council - Specialist Teaching Assistant Apprenticeship Programme (Level 5)

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Scope

Description

North Northamptonshire Council is seeking a suitably qualified and experienced Supplier to provide an apprenticeship programme for the Level 5 Specialist Teaching Assistant Apprenticeships. Over the contract period, the Council expect to enrol up to 40 apprentices onto the Level 5 Specialist Teaching Assistant apprenticeship programme

The purpose is to enable career progression within the current workforce and to support with qualifying and retaining staff. This is a new apprenticeship standard approved in September 2024 and therefore has not been procured previously.

The Council proposes to enter into one (1) Contract for an initial period of 48 (forty-eight) months plus an optional 24 (twenty-four) month extension period with the successful Supplier, which includes the EPA period.

Total value (estimated)

- £480,000 including VAT

Below the relevant threshold

Contract dates (estimated)

- 20 September 2025 to 28 September 2029
- Possible extension to 26 September 2031
- 6 years, 7 days

Description of possible extension:

Enrolments are planned to take place over the next 4 years. The extension period will allow the proposed contract to cover the training, EPA period, resits and breaks in training should these occur beyond the 4-year period.

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 80000000 - Education and training services

Contract locations

- UKF25 - North Northamptonshire

Participation

Particular suitability

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

Submission

Enquiry deadline

1 August 2025, 5:00pm

Tender submission deadline

8 August 2025, 12:00pm

Submission address and any special instructions

The Council is utilising its e-procurement portal (In-Tend) to manage this procurement process.

All documents and communications issued by the Council's Procurement Team will be sent via the portal.

Please use the following link to access the tender documents, submit any clarifications, and

upload your bid:

<https://in-tendhost.co.uk/nnc>

The Invitation to Tender (ITT) Procurement Reference Number is NNC00000650.

Tenders may be submitted electronically

Yes

Award criteria

The Award Criteria Questionnaire has been designed to allow Potential Suppliers to explain and demonstrate how they will deliver the contract in terms of Quality (80%), Social Value (10%) and Price (10%).

Procedure

Procedure type

Below threshold - open competition

Special regime

Light touch

Contracting authority

North Northamptonshire Council

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Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government