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**Planning** 

## **Connect to Work North Wales**

**Denbighshire County Council** 

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## Scope

## **Description**

Connect to Work is a UK Government-funded employment program designed to help disabled people, those with health conditions, and individuals with complex barriers to employment find and maintain work. It's a voluntary program that integrates work, health, and skills support using a "place, train, and maintain" approach. This approach is based on the Individual Placement and Support (IPS) model and the Supported Employment Quality Framework (SEQF). The program aims to support 4068 individuals in North Wales and up to 100,000 individuals across England and Wales.

We anticipate that Denbighshire Council may act as the lead Authority undertaking a procurement exercise on behalf of all six North Wales Authorities.

Suppliers are being engaged with to potentially deliver Supported Employment contracts within the employability sector as part of the Connect to Work Programme for North Wales. The contracts will involve supporting people with disabilities who want to work to find local employment sustainable employment.

An event has been arranged to discuss ideas in relation to the procurement with the market. To register, please click on the following link:

https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/rhaglen-cysylltu-a-gwaith-connect-to-work-programme-2025-2030-tickets-1440429095199?aff=oddtdtcreator

Should you not be able to attend this particular event, we anticipate that a further event will be held in due course.

#### **Commercial tool**

Establishes a framework

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

- £1 excluding VAT
- £2 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

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

- 5 January 2026 to 5 January 2030
- 4 years, 1 day

# Main procurement category

Services

#### **CPV** classifications

- 80521000 Training programme services
- 80570000 Personal development training services

• 79634000 - Career guidance services

#### **Contract locations**

- UKL23 Flintshire and Wrexham
- UKL13 Conwy and Denbighshire
- UKL12 Gwynedd
- UKL11 Isle of Anglesey

# **Engagement**

## **Engagement deadline**

30 September 2025

# **Engagement process description**

Denbighshire County Council are holding an online event with the market on 29th July. A further event may be held in due course Link for event in July is contained within this notice.

# **Participation**

## **Particular suitability**

• Small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)

• Voluntary, community and social enterprises (VCSE)

# **Procedure**

# Special regime

Light touch

# **Contracting authority**

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Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government

Devolved regulations that apply: Wales