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Planning

## East Sussex Domestic Abuse Support Service

East Sussex County Council

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## Scope

## Reference

10639

## Description

This is an Open Tender under the Light Touch Regime procedure.

East Sussex County Council are seeking a Strategic Partner to provide a service to any person aged 16 years and over experiencing domestic abuse within East Sussex.

The Strategic Partner will ensure that all service delivery is focused on prioritising people based on risk and vulnerability, and will provide flexible support options that reflect diversity of need and choice, and will take a flexible and creative person-centred approach to service delivery.

## **Total value (estimated)**

- £6,000,000 excluding VAT
- £7,200,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

## **Contract dates (estimated)**

- 1 April 2026 to 31 March 2030
- Possible extension to 31 March 2036
- 10 years

## **Main procurement category**

Services

## **CPV classifications**

- 85000000 - Health and social work services

## **Contract locations**

- UKJ22 - East Sussex CC

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## **Engagement**

### **Engagement deadline**

14 August 2025

## **Engagement process description**

East Sussex County Council is to launch a tender process for the East Sussex Domestic Abuse Service (ESDAS).

As part of this process, we are holding a virtual Market Engagement Event on Thursday 14th August 2025 at 9.30 a.m. - 10.30 a.m. via Microsoft Teams being open to all those who would have a keen interest in bidding for the tender opportunity.

An MS Teams meeting link to attend the event will be shared to those who have registered.

To Register to attend the Event please email: [stacey.criddle@eastsussex.gov.uk](mailto:stacey.criddle@eastsussex.gov.uk)

Please include your organisation name and the names, job titles and email addresses of those due to attend. We request if you can limit your organisations representation in the meeting to no more than two people to ensure the meeting event is a manageable size.

At this meeting we will outline:

- The financial envelope
- The key expectations within the specification
- Route to market
- Question & Answers

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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)**

15 August 2025

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## **Procedure**

### **Special regime**

Light touch

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## **Contracting authority**

### **East Sussex County Council**

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Region: UKJ22 - East Sussex CC

Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government