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Tender

Support Service for Staying Close Care Leavers

South Tyneside Borough Council

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Scope

Reference

S8897

Description

A support service for staying close care leavers will deliver high-quality, intensive support to care-experienced young people aged 18 to 25 years. The service will primarily provide peripatetic (outreach) or floating support to those living in Staying Close accommodation. There are currently 14 Staying Close accommodation properties, and these are owned and managed by South Tyneside Council.

The service aims to provide care-experienced young people with a psychological and trauma-informed environment where they can develop the interdependent living skills needed to transition successfully into adulthood and maintain stable, long-term accommodation.

The estimated annual value of the contract is £300,000 per annum.

No preliminary market engagement took place.

Total value (estimated)

- £600,000 excluding VAT
- £720,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Contract dates (estimated)

- 1 November 2025 to 31 October 2026
- Possible extension to 31 October 2027
- 2 years

Description of possible extension:

Option to extend by 1 period of 1 year, which is dependent on the budget position.

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 85300000 - Social work and related services

Contract locations

- UKC22 - Tyneside

Participation

Legal and financial capacity conditions of participation

Please see tender documentation for details

Technical ability conditions of participation

Please see tender documentation for details

Particular suitability

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

Submission

Enquiry deadline

26 August 2025, 5:00pm

Tender submission deadline

2 September 2025, 12:00pm

Submission address and any special instructions

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Tenders may be submitted electronically

Yes

Languages that may be used for submission

English

Award decision date (estimated)

16 October 2025

Recurring procurement

Publication date of next tender notice (estimated): 1 January 2027

Award criteria

Name	Type	Weighting
Price	Price	40%
Social Value	Quality	10%
Housing First Approach	Quality	8.5%

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Flexibility to respond to multiple / complex needs	Quality	8.5%
Corporate Parenting	Quality	8.5%
Promoting Independence, Interdependence and Practical Life Skills	Quality	8.5%
Mobilisation	Quality	8%
Promoting equality, diversity and cultural inclusion	Quality	8%

Other information

Payment terms

Please see Contract Terms and Conditions contained within the tender pack.

Conflicts assessment prepared/revised

Yes

Procedure

Procedure type

Open procedure

Special regime

Light touch

Documents

Associated tender documents

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

The full tender pack can be found on Open E-Procurement System Project Number:
#OPEN20251334

Contracting authority

South Tyneside Borough Council

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Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government