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Award

Educational Psychology Service

The Borough Council of Calderdale

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Scope

Reference

2025 EP / DA/1012689

Description

The Borough Council of Calderdale (the "Council") is commissioning a Service that delivers educational psychology support for children and young people across Calderdale (the "Service"). The Service will have a strong focus on supporting the Council to meet its statutory duties in relation to the provision of educational psychology. The Service provided must;

- (a) Ensure the Council meets its statutory duties in relation to the provision of psychological advice and information to inform Education, Health and Care Plans, ("EHC Plans") assessments and reviews as outlined in the 2015 Special Educational Needs and Disabilities Code of Practice ("Code of Practice"). The Code of Practice provides statutory guidance on duties, policies and procedures relating to Part 3 of the Children and Families Act 2014.
- (b) Improve the educational outcomes, emotional well-being and personal development of children and young people aged 0-25 years through the application of psychology in providing assessment, advice and recommendations.
- (c) Provide support to the Council where requested before an EHC Plan transfer and also where an education placement has broken down and there is a dispute about the next

suitable placement, or a case is likely to go to Tribunal. (d) Be conducted professionally according to the Health and Care Professions Council Standards of Conduct, Performance and Ethics. (e) Undertake safe and effective practice in accordance with the Health and Care Professions Council Standards of Proficiency for Practitioner Psychologists. This Service is being commissioned as an alternative to an in-house educational psychology Service and must ensure the Service provided fulfils the Council's statutory duties in relation to the Code of Practice within the required timescales. The contract will commence on 1st October 2025 for 3 years until 30th September 2028, with the option to extend a further period or periods of up to 36 months.

Contract 1. Educational Psychology Service

Supplier

- Psychology Direct Ltd

Contract value

- £7,169,219 excluding VAT
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Above the relevant threshold

Award decision date

13 August 2025

Date assessment summaries were sent to tenderers

15 August 2025

Standstill period

- End: 28 August 2025
- 8 working days

Earliest date the contract will be signed

29 August 2025

Contract dates (estimated)

- 1 October 2025 to 1 October 2028
- Possible extension to 1 October 2031
- 6 years, 1 day

Description of possible extension:

Option to extend a further period or periods of up to 36 months

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 85121270 - Psychiatrist or psychologist services

- 85000000 - Health and social work services

Contract locations

- UKE44 - Calderdale and Kirklees

Information about tenders

- 3 tenders received
- 1 tender assessed in the final stage:
 - 1 submitted by small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)
 - 0 submitted by voluntary, community and social enterprises (VCSE)
- 1 supplier awarded contracts
- 0 suppliers unsuccessful (details included for contracts over £5 million)

Procedure

Procedure type

Open procedure

Special regime

Light touch

Supplier

Psychology Direct Ltd

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PCVY-8465-LQPM

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Small or medium-sized enterprise (SME): Yes

Voluntary, community or social enterprise (VCSE): No

Supported employment provider: No

Public service mutual: No

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Contracting authority

The Borough Council of Calderdale

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Region: UKE44 - Calderdale and Kirklees

Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government