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Tender

Short Breaks for Children and Young People

BLACKPOOL COUNCIL

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Changes to notice

This notice has been edited. The [previous version](#) is still available.

Inclusion of link to advert on The Chest

Scope

Reference

DN787421

Description

Blackpool Council is seeking an experienced and capable service provider to deliver a short breaks service for children and young people in Blackpool as follows:

- Weekend Club - for children with complex needs (8 - 18 years old, or 19 while still attending school)
- Holiday Club - for children aged 8 to 18 with higher / complex levels of need

The anticipated service volumes and contract budget for the service is as follows:

Provision Number of sessions Capacity per session

Weekend Club (complex needs) 52 18

Holiday Club (complex needs) 47 21

Contract budget (per annum) £204,184.44

It is anticipated that the contract term will be from 01 April 2026 to 31 March 2028, with the option to extend incrementally for a period of up to 2 years (subject to contract review and budget availability).

Pre-market engagement has not been carried out prior to this procedure. This is a re-tender of an existing service and the requirements were deemed to be known and well defined.

Full details of requirements are provided within the tender documents.

Total value (estimated)

- £820,000 excluding VAT
- £984,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Contract dates (estimated)

- 1 April 2026 to 31 March 2028
- Possible extension to 31 March 2030
- 4 years

Description of possible extension:

The contract may be extended incrementally for a period of up to 2 years, subject to demand and budget availability.

Options

The right to additional purchases while the contract is valid.

The contract volumes are indicative and may increase as a result of increased demand. The contracting authority may purchase additional services, extended services, or any services which fall within the scope of provision of short breaks for children and young people as described within the service specification.

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 85000000 - Health and social work services

Contract locations

- UKD42 - Blackpool
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Participation

Particular suitability

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

Submission

Enquiry deadline

10 September 2025, 5:00pm

Tender submission deadline

17 September 2025, 10:00am

Submission address and any special instructions

Tenders must be submitted electronically:

<https://www.the-chest.org.uk/>

The link to the advert is:

<https://procontract.due-north.com/Advert?advertId=bb3635a3-3c7c-f011-813a-005056b64545>

Tenders may be submitted electronically

Yes

Languages that may be used for submission

English

Award decision date (estimated)

6 October 2025

Recurring procurement

Publication date of next tender notice (estimated): 1 January 2030

Award criteria

Name	Type	Weighting
Quality	Quality	70%
Social Value	Quality	20%
Price	Cost	10%

Other information

Description of risks to contract performance

The English Devolution White Paper set out the government's vision for simpler local government structures in order to lead to better outcomes for residents, improved local accountability and savings which can then be reinvested in public services. All councils in 2-tier areas and small neighbouring unitary authorities have been invited to develop proposals for unitary local government with the aim of bringing together lower and upper

tier local government services in new unitary councils to deliver local government reorganisation. It is likely that within the duration of this contract there may be further development of local government reorganisation that could result in the area and scope of coverage of this contract changing. It is not clear at this stage what the reorganisation will look like. The Contracting Authority reserve the right to modify, review or amend the contract as may become appropriate in order to effectively respond to any future requirements as a result of local government reorganisation.

Applicable trade agreements

- Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

Conflicts assessment prepared/revised

Yes

Procedure

Procedure type

Open procedure

Special regime

Light touch

Contracting authority

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Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government