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**Planning** 

# Early Market Engagement - Learning Disability Supported Living Accommodation in the preferred areas of Causeway and Ballymena but the Trust will consider other a

Northern Health and Social Care Trust

F01: Prior information notice

Prior information only

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## Section I: Contracting authority

## I.1) Name and addresses

Northern Health and Social Care Trust

Spruce House, Braid Valley Site, Cushendall Road

Ballymena

**BT43 6HL** 

#### **Email**

socialcare.procurement@northerntrust.hscni.net

#### Country

**United Kingdom** 

#### Region code

UK - United Kingdom

Internet address(es)

Main address

https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps

Buyer's address

https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps

## I.3) Communication

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

## I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

### I.5) Main activity

Health

# **Section II: Object**

## II.1) Scope of the procurement

#### II.1.1) Title

Early Market Engagement - Learning Disability Supported Living Accommodation in the preferred areas of Causeway and Ballymena but the Trust will consider other a

#### II.1.2) Main CPV code

• 85000000 - Health and social work services

#### II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

#### II.1.4) Short description

This is a Prior Information Notice (PIN) by way of an Early Market Engagement scoping for the NHSCT to ascertain current capacity and potential future capacity in the market for the provision of a bespoke single occupancy Learning Disability Supported Living Accommodation for a Service User with complex behaviours in the preferred areas of Causeway and Ballymena but the Trust will consider other areas as secondary options.

#### II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

## II.2) Description

#### II.2.3) Place of performance

**NUTS** codes

• UK - United Kingdom

#### II.2.4) Description of the procurement

This is a PIN by the NHSCT for an Early Market Engagement (NOT a Call for Tender) to ascertain current capacity in the market AND potential future capacity for the provision of bespoke single occupancy Learning Disability Supported Living Accommodation for a complex service user who presents with challenging behaviour. Given complexity, care must be provided in a 24/7 bespoke facility with anticipated 2:1 staffing at all times with 2 staff on sleep over (no awaken nights).

Accommodation in the preferred areas of Causeway and Ballymena but the Trust will consider other areas as secondary options.

#### II.2.14) Additional information

This is not a Call for Tender and there is no guarantee any procurement process will be run. Any interest shown by Providers will be further explored but this does not constitute a commitment to progress in a procurement exercise. Failure to show interest does not restrict providers from participating in any future procurement exercise held by NHSCT. This notice has been placed to alert the Sector of a specific requirement. Any future procurement exercise will be conducted in accordance with the information contained in any final published tender documentation.

## II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

5 September 2025

## Section IV. Procedure

## **IV.1) Description**

#### IV.1.8) Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

# **Section VI. Complementary information**

## VI.3) Additional information

All correspondence or queries in relation to this Early Market Engagement Scoping should be communicated via email account as indicated. This PIN is live from publication up to 3.00 pm on 5 September 2025. Providers are reminded this is not a Call for Tender and this notice has been placed for capacity scoping purposes only.