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Tender

Rural Community Support Service

Bedford Borough Council

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Scope

Reference

BBC AD 03956

Description

The Rural Community Support Service connects individuals with relevant services and support, acting as a bridge between residents and local resources. The Service makes home visits to older people to help them with free support & assistance.

This contract is for an initial three (3) year term with an option to extend for a further two (2) years in twelve (12) month instalments.

Total value (estimated)

- £420,760 excluding VAT
- £504,912 including VAT

Below the relevant threshold

Contract dates (estimated)

- 1 February 2026 to 31 January 2029
- Possible extension to 31 January 2031
- 5 years

Description of possible extension:

2 years in twelve month instalments

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 85312310 - Guidance services

Contract locations

- UKH24 - Bedford

Participation

This procurement is reserved for

- UK suppliers
- Small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs) and voluntary, community and social enterprises (VCSEs)

Submission

Enquiry deadline

12 September 2025, 4:00pm

Tender submission deadline

19 September 2025, 12:00pm

Submission address and any special instructions

<https://www.in-tendhost.co.uk/bedford/aspx/Home>

Tenders may be submitted electronically

Yes

Award criteria

Quality: 60%

Price: 40%

Please see Rural Community Support Services ITT Guidance Document for further details of award criteria.

Procedure

Procedure type

Below threshold - open competition

Special regime

Light touch

Documents

Associated tender documents

<https://www.in-tendhost.co.uk/bedford/aspx/Home>

Please see Bedford Borough Council eProcurement portal:

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Contracting authority

Bedford Borough Council

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