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Planning

SEND Cluster Model Transformation

Stoke on Trent City Council

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Scope

Description

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We are specifically seeking responses from organisations that can deliver all of the following elements as part of a single, integrated offer:

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- A structured self-evaluation and action planning framework aligned with Ofsted and Local Area SEND Inspection priorities.
- A digital dashboard that enables the local authority to monitor school-level SEND priorities and progress.
- A local peer network model, including coaching and cluster-based collaboration to share effective practice.

- Access to a national network of SEND leaders and experts, including opportunities for cross-authority learning and professional development.
- Tailored consultancy to align programme delivery with local SEND strategy and embed sustainable improvement into LA governance and business-as-usual processes.

Total value (estimated)

- £104,170 excluding VAT
- £125,000 including VAT

Below the relevant threshold

Contract dates (estimated)

- 30 November 2025 to 29 November 2028
- 3 years

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 80000000 - Education and training services

Contract locations

- UKG23 - Stoke-on-Trent
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Engagement

Engagement deadline

4 September 2025

Engagement process description

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Please confirm whether your organisation can deliver all of the above components as part of a single programme. If so, please provide a brief outline of your approach and evidence of previous delivery at scale.

All responses should be sent to Sarah.Halls@stoke.gov.uk by the end of the day on Thursday, 4th September 2025.

Contracting authority

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Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government