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Contract

Non-Statutory Specialist Pre-School Provision (NSP) for Children with Complex Needs and Severe Learning Difficulties

the Education Authority

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Scope

Reference

EDR-25-006

Description

The purpose of this Contract(s) is for the provision of Non-Statutory Specialist Pre-School Provision (NSP) for Children with Complex Needs and Severe Learning Difficulties for a period of 12 months with the option to extend for period(s) of up to and including 24

months. Value is estimated at £1,666,666 excluding VAT (£2,000,000 including VAT).

Contract 1. Non-Statutory Specialist Pre-School Provision (NSP) for Children with Complex Needs and Severe Learning Difficulties

Suppliers (5)

- Kids Together Belfast
- Royal Mencap Society (Mencap NI)
- SEN Space Care and Respite Services CIC
- Sensations Nest LTD
- Sólás

Contract value

- £1,666,666 excluding VAT
- £2,000,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Date signed

15 August 2025

Contract dates

- 1 September 2025 to 31 August 2026
- Possible extension to 31 August 2028

- 3 years

Description of possible extension:

Extensions are available for any period(s) up to and including 24 months.

Prior to offering any extension to this contract the Buyer will assess the following:

- The availability of adequate funding for the service.
- Changes/increase in need in relation to the service and scope of the existing contract.
- If the contract is continuing to deliver value for money.

Main procurement category

Services

Options

The right to additional purchases while the contract is valid.

The contract includes optional provisions that allow the supplier to make additional purchases, provided these are consistent with the scope of requirements outlined in the agreement.

The EA will consider the efficient use of its resources to enable a placement to be secured. This will include the provision of any additional resources that may be required to support a particular setting or in the transport resource required to enable a child/ to attend a particular setting.

There may be a requirement to procure equipment specific to a pupil's individual special educational needs to enable them to access the Northern Ireland Curriculum appropriate to their age, aptitude, and ability.

CPV classifications

- 80110000 - Pre-school education services
- 80490000 - Operation of an educational centre

Contract locations

- UKN - Northern Ireland
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Other information

Applicable trade agreements

- Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

Conflicts assessment prepared/revised

Yes

Procedure

Procedure type

Open procedure

Special regime

Light touch

Suppliers

Kids Together Belfast

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PGQL-7587-JJQH

134 Stewartstown Road

Belfast

BT11 9JQ

United Kingdom

Email: pamela.hughes@kidstogetherbelfast.org

Region: UKN06 - Belfast

Small or medium-sized enterprise (SME): No

Voluntary, community or social enterprise (VCSE): Yes

Supported employment provider: No

Public service mutual: No

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Royal Mencap Society (Mencap NI)

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PYNM-5818-WZDN

5 School Road

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BT8 6BT

United Kingdom

Email: pauline.spence@mencap.org.uk

Region: UKN0E - Lisburn and Castlereagh

Small or medium-sized enterprise (SME): No

Voluntary, community or social enterprise (VCSE): Yes

Supported employment provider: No

Public service mutual: No

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SEN Space Care and Respite Services CIC

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PXDG-1719-ZMZN

4 Thornhill Road

Dunmurry Belfast

BT17 9EJ

United Kingdom

Email: info@senspace.org.uk

Region: UKN06 - Belfast

Small or medium-sized enterprise (SME): No

Voluntary, community or social enterprise (VCSE): Yes

Supported employment provider: No

Public service mutual: No

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Sensations Nest LTD

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PCZB-9116-PJYV

1 Clontonacally Road

Belfast

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United Kingdom

Email: clare@sensationsni.co.uk

Region: UKN0E - Lisburn and Castlereagh

Small or medium-sized enterprise (SME): No

Voluntary, community or social enterprise (VCSE): Yes

Supported employment provider: No

Public service mutual: No

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Sólás

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PXLH-6963-CWXJ

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Belfast

BT7 2GB

United Kingdom

Email: joan@solasbt7.com

Region: UKN06 - Belfast

Small or medium-sized enterprise (SME): No

Voluntary, community or social enterprise (VCSE): Yes

Supported employment provider: No

Public service mutual: No

Contract 1. Non-Statutory Specialist Pre-School Provision (NSP) for Children with Complex Needs and Severe Learning Difficulties

Contracting authority

the Education Authority

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Belfast

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United Kingdom

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Organisation type: Public authority - central government

Devolved regulations that apply: Northern Ireland