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Planning

Supported Accommodation for Looked After Children and Care Leavers

Westminster City Council

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Changes to notice

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

Updated contract scope and value

Scope

Reference

PRJ_30583

Description

This contract will be to manage and deliver high-quality accommodation aimed at 16-17-year-old looked after children across the Royal Borough of Kensington and Chelsea (RBKC) and the City of Westminster.

The contract comprises a total of 20 units based across 3 separate sites in the London Boroughs of Harrow and Brent, aiming to provide accommodation for RBKC and Westminster's looked after children aged 16-17 (six and fourteen units respectively).

The buildings are owned by Notting Hill Genesis, and the successful applicant will be required to take over day-to-day management of the building. The service is intended to be low support service, supporting looked after children who are moving from private semi-independent living provision, residential or foster care, or those who have recently been made looked after; and helping them to gain the skills and experience they will need to reach adulthood and live independently.

While the aim is for the properties to accommodate 16-17-year-olds, there may be some 18+ young people also housed where this is deemed appropriate. The young people may have been referred from the respective boroughs' localities or unaccompanied asylum-seeking children's teams.

This contract will be let for 3 years plus the option to extend for a further 1 + 1 years.

Total value (estimated)

- £1,900,000 excluding VAT
- £2,280,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Contract dates (estimated)

- 1 April 2026 to 31 March 2029

- Possible extension to 31 March 2031
- 5 years

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 85300000 - Social work and related services

Contract locations

- UKI - London

Engagement

Engagement deadline

16 October 2025

Engagement process description

This is a soft market testing exercise to determine the appetite of the market for this opportunity. Those who do express an interest will be invited to the open tender opportunity. This market engagement exercise includes a series of questions for the market to respond to. These are in the e-tendering platform Jaggaer:

https://wcc.ukp.app.jaggaer.com/esop/ogc-host/public/wcc/web/login.jst?VISITORID=aa9cfe71-7fb3-45a4-b28f-bbfc7c1f5f88&_ncp=1722517400147.1709454-1

An online market engagement event will also be held on 16th October 2025.

Participation

Particular suitability

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

Submission

Publication date of tender notice (estimated)

11 December 2025

Procedure

Special regime

Light touch

Contracting authority

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