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Planning

## **Early Market Engagement - Learning Disability Supported Living Accommodation in the preferred area of Ballymoney, but the Trust will consider other areas as secondary options.**

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](mailto: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

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**Section II: Object**

**II.1) Scope of the procurement**

**II.1.1) Title**

Early Market Engagement - Learning Disability Supported Living Accommodation in the preferred area of Ballymoney, but the Trust will consider other areas as secondary options.

**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 area of Ballymoney 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 3:1 ratio basis throughout the day and night. No sleeping night staff, however, service user could potentially be managed with 2 waking night staff and 1 sleeping, if the third staff member could respond promptly if/when required Accommodation in the preferred area of Ballymoney 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**

22 October 2025

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## **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

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## **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 22 October 2025. Providers are reminded this is not a Call for Tender and this notice has been placed for capacity scoping purposes only.