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Planning

Shared Lives

Wolverhampton City Council

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Scope

Reference

CWC25110

Description

City of Wolverhampton Council are preparing to go out to tender for the Shared Lives service.

Shared Lives is a unique person-centred model of care where adults live with trained carers in their homes, sharing everyday life, routines, and community. Regulated by the CQC and delivered through local schemes, it offers flexible support in a real home environment-building trusted relationships that promote independence, wellbeing, and a genuine sense of belonging.

Shared Lives is a unique form of social care based on the simple but transformative power of human relationships. In Shared Lives, a young person or adult assessed as needing care and support is matched with a Shared Lives carer by their local CQC regulated Shared Lives scheme. Together, they share a home, family, and community life.

People receive person-centred care and support in a place which feels like home. The service is provided by individuals or families (Shared Lives Carers). In many cases the individual requiring support will become a permanent part of the Shared Lives family and in other cases the individual will utilise the support for short breaks.

We are currently publishing this pre-market engagement opportunity to help shape the service specification for the service. There is a questionnaire to be completed by Wednesday 15th October 2025.

The contract will be for two years with plus one, plus one extension options.

It is planned that the tender will be published late October 2025.

You can access the information by responding at www.wolverhamptontenders.com

Total value (estimated)

- £4,778,702 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Contract dates (estimated)

- 1 July 2026 to 30 June 2028
- Possible extension to 30 June 2030
- 4 years

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 85000000 - Health and social work services

Contract locations

- UKG39 - Wolverhampton
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Engagement

Engagement deadline

15 October 2025

Engagement process description

The pre-market engagement is being conducted via a questionnaire. This is available at www.wolverhamptontenders.com

Participation

Particular suitability

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

Publication date of tender notice (estimated)

3 November 2025

Procedure

Special regime

Light touch

Contracting authority

Wolverhampton City Council

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Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government