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Planning

## **WSSCC Supported Accommodation and Housing Pathway (16-25yo)**

West Sussex County Council

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### **Scope**

### **Reference**

I-1351

### **Description**

West Sussex County Council (WSSCC) would like to engage with suppliers prior to a procurement which will commence in January 2026 for the requirement of providing a Supported Accommodation Housing Pathway to 16–25-year-olds. This notice IS NOT the commencement of the procurement procedure, neither is it a call for expressions of interest. This notice is released to gather more information to further inform our specification and to alert the market about a Supplier event on 29 October 2025. A separate notice and information will be provided when the actual procurement exercise starts in January 2026. The current contracts expire on 30 September 2026. We plan for the mobilisation to start in or around April 2026. The services are being redesigned and the WSSCC are looking to engage with the market to help to understand the interest to bid for the services. The commission is a collaboration between WSSCC and District and Boroughs. Please note that the estimated total value in this notice is subject to several

governance processes among the partners. West Sussex County Council would like to invite Suppliers to join us at a Supplier Engagement Event (virtual, via Microsoft Teams) on 29 October 2025 at 2.00- 3.00pm, therefore if you would like to attend, please email [strategic.housingCYPL@westsussex.gov.uk](mailto:strategic.housingCYPL@westsussex.gov.uk) with 'SA Supplier Event' in the subject line, and in the email tell us your name, your organisation and your email address, and we will send you an invitation to the event closer the time. We would encourage an early registration for the event, so we get an overview of the numbers and prepare accordingly. A previous Supplier event was held on 11 September 2024. The Supplier event and the future procurement early next year are targeted at suppliers who could provide Supported Accommodation services and a Housing Pathway in West Sussex for 16–25-year-old young people in order to prevent the risk of homeless, reduce health inequalities and maximise opportunities to access education and employment. In order to provide these services, the supplier is required to be registered as a Social Landlord and, in addition to that, where the service is provided to young people under 18 years of age, Ofsted registration will be mandatory.

### **Total value (estimated)**

- £18,000,000 excluding VAT
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Above the relevant threshold

### **Contract dates (estimated)**

- 1 October 2026 to 30 September 2035
- 9 years

### **Main procurement category**

Services

### **CPV classifications**

- 85300000 - Social work and related services
- 85311000 - Social work services with accommodation
- 85311300 - Welfare services for children and young people

## **Contract locations**

- UKJ2 - Surrey, East and West Sussex
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## **Engagement**

### **Engagement deadline**

29 October 2025

### **Engagement process description**

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## **Participation**

### **Particular suitability**

Small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)

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## Submission

### Publication date of tender notice (estimated)

27 January 2026

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## Procedure

### Special regime

Light touch

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## Contracting authority

### West Sussex County Council

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PXJW-5627-QRQR

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Region: UKJ27 - West Sussex (South West)

Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government