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Tender

Independent Health and Social Care Advocacy for Adults

Bath & North East Somerset Council

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Scope

Reference

DN784732

Description

Bath and North East Somerset Council is recommissioning its statutory advocacy services for adults. This includes support under the Care Act, Mental Capacity Act (including DoLS and Liberty Protection Safeguards), Mental Health Act, and advocacy for complaints relating to health and social care. The aim is to ensure residents have access to high-quality, independent advocacy that upholds their rights, supports decision-making, and reflects local needs and legislative requirements. Details are available within the published specification.

Total value (estimated)

- £1,300,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Contract dates (estimated)

- 1 April 2026 to 31 March 2029
- Possible extension to 31 March 2031
- 5 years

Description of possible extension:

This agreement will commence on 1st April 2026 and expire on 31st March 2029. This Contract can be extended beyond the initial term for up to a further 24 months subject to satisfactory performance and agreed costs.

Options

The right to additional purchases while the contract is valid.

The Terms & Conditions include a clause that can trigger an increase in capacity and value. Including the capacity increase that can be triggered the total value of the contract could be £1,257,060 (£251,412 per annum).

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 85000000 - Health and social work services

Contract locations

- UKK12 - Bath and North East Somerset, North Somerset and South Gloucestershire

Participation

Particular suitability

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

Submission

Enquiry deadline

23 October 2025, 11:59pm

Tender submission deadline

10 November 2025, 12:00pm

Submission address and any special instructions

<https://www.supplyingthesouthwest.org.uk/>

Tenders may be submitted electronically

Yes

Languages that may be used for submission

English

Award decision date (estimated)

1 December 2025

Award criteria

Name	Type	Weighting
Quality	Quality	70%
Price	Price	30%

Other information

Conflicts assessment prepared/revised

Yes

Procedure

Procedure type

Open procedure

Special regime

Light touch

Documents

Associated tender documents

<https://www.supplyingthesouthwest.org.uk/>

Contracting authority

Bath & North East Somerset Council

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PLVH-3287-JWJV

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Region: UKK12 - Bath and North East Somerset, North Somerset and South Gloucestershire

Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government