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Planning

Blackburn With Darwen Fostering Framework

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Scope

Description

Blackburn with Darwen Borough Council is looking to procure:

BLACKBURN WITH DARWEN FOSTERING FRAMEWORK

and is holding a pre-market engagement event for foster care agencies who are NOT currently part of the Placements North West or BBCL Framework

at:

Family Hub Livesey

Andrew Close

Blackburn

BB2 4NU

On Thursday 23rd October 2025

09:30 - 12:30

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If you wish to attend, please complete the Microsoft Form using the link below

<https://forms.office.com/e/sxUJnBAfWf>

by Wednesday 22 October.

Commercial tool

Establishes a framework

Total value (estimated)

- £650,000 excluding VAT
- £780,000 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

- 85311300 - Welfare services for children and young people
- 98000000 - Other community, social and personal services

Contract locations

- UKD41 - Blackburn with Darwen

Engagement

Engagement deadline

23 October 2025

Engagement process description

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Participation

Particular suitability

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

Submission

Publication date of tender notice (estimated)

12 January 2026

Contracting authority

Blackburn with Darwen

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PYGR-1856-CVXM

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Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government