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Planning

CCS061 Alternative Education Provision Framework

Derbyshire County Council

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Changes to notice

This notice has been edited. The [previous version](#) is still available.

Scope

Reference

CCS061

Description

The Council is procuring Alternative Provision (AP) and Education Otherwise Than In School and College (EOTISC) services to meet its statutory duties under the legislation relating to the delivery of education. The service will ensure access to suitable, full-time education for children and young people who are unable to attend mainstream school or college for reasons associated with illness, exclusion, medical needs, special educational needs and disabilities (SEND) or other exceptional circumstances.

Provision will deliver continuity of learning through personalised, flexible education that meets individual needs, promotes re-engagement and readiness for learning, and supports positive outcomes, including successful reintegration or transition into suitable education, training, or employment pathways.

Services may be delivered through a range of settings, including local authority and maintained provisions, mainstream schools and colleges, independent and specialist providers, community or work-based environments, or online learning where appropriate.

This procurement supports the Council's responsibility to secure high-quality, inclusive education for vulnerable pupils, including those with Education, Health and Care Plans (EHCPs). All commissioned services must comply with statutory requirements and meet defined quality standards.

Commercial tool

Establishes a framework

Contract dates (estimated)

- 1 September 2026 to 31 August 2034
- 8 years

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 80000000 - Education and training services

Contract locations

- UKF1 - Derbyshire and Nottinghamshire

Engagement

Engagement deadline

4 November 2025

Engagement process description

The Council is hosting a Provider Engagement Event via Microsoft Teams on 04 November 2025, from 11:00 to 12:30, to support the upcoming procurement of Alternative Provision (AP) services. The event will provide an overview of the proposed scope and give providers an opportunity to ask questions and express interest.

Registration link:

<https://events.teams.microsoft.com/event/094f9dec-70a3-487b-849e-cef5761aa86b@429a8eb3-3210-4e1a-aaa2-6ccde0ddabc5>

Providers interested in attending should register using the link above.

Participation

Particular suitability

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

Contracting authority

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