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Planning

Connect to Work - Intensive Personal Support

Stoke on Trent City Council

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Scope

Reference

CDO/2025/253

Description

Stoke on Trent City Council is seeking to appoint an IPS (Intensive Personal Support) specialist to deliver a fidelity model to establish pathway back into employment or help sustain existing employment.

This is part of the Connect to Work programme with Stoke on Trent City Council operating as the Delivery Area Member and Staffordshire County Council as the Accountable Body.

Total value (estimated)

- £2,777,619 excluding VAT

- £3,333,142.80 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Contract dates (estimated)

- 1 December 2025 to 30 November 2030
- 5 years

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 79611000 - Job search services
- 85312320 - Counselling services

Contract locations

- UKG23 - Stoke-on-Trent

Participation

Legal and financial capacity conditions of participation

Legal and financial capacity conditions of participation.

Capacity conditions are included within the tender questionnaire

Technical ability conditions of participation.

Equivalent qualifications and standards are included within the tender questionnaire.

Particular suitability

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

Submission

Publication date of tender notice (estimated)

22 October 2025

Tender submission deadline

20 November 2025, 4:00pm

Submission address and any special instructions

Access to the full tender documents will be made available when the tender goes live.
Link can be found here <https://procontract.due-north.com/Opportunities/Index?resetFilter=True&applyFilter=True&p=08c1102f-61ba-e711-80e6-005056b64545&v=1>

Tenders may be submitted electronically

Yes

Languages that may be used for submission

English

Award decision date (estimated)

28 November 2025

Award criteria

Name	Type	Weighting
Price	Price	25%
Service Delivery Model	Quality	20%
Implementation Plan	Quality	10%
Supported Employment Experience	Quality	10%
Responsible Procurement	Quality	10%
Performance Management	Quality	5%
Financial Management	Quality	5%
Stakeholder Engagement - Identifying Participants	Quality	5%
Stakeholder Engagement - Employers	Quality	5%
Stakeholder Engagement - Supporting Organisations	Quality	5%

Procedure

Procedure type

Open procedure

Special regime

Light touch

Contracting authority

Stoke on Trent City Council

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PDQZ-1442-RZTZ

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Region: UKG23 - Stoke-on-Trent

Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government