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Planning

## AT1456 Children's Residential Home

Luton Council

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## Scope

## Reference

DN793917

## Description

Children's Residential Home services for children and young people (12-18) with social, emotional and mental health (SEMH) needs.

This procurement process is to commission a single provider to operate a residential provision in premises owned by Luton Council in Luton. The home will offer provision which has one to one staff at all times during the day, including two waking and one sleep in staff member. We are seeking a single provider with proven experience of managing and operating an Ofsted registered children's home rated Good or Outstanding. This is a specialist provision with the ability to meet the needs of young people with social, emotional, mental health needs age 12-17 years.

It's imperative that the provider can encourage and actively support each young person to access education, training, employment or apprenticeship placements as appropriate, and

the providers will be expected to have good links with colleges and the workplace.

The provider will be required to deliver a sustained and consistent high-quality service in order to effectively respond to, contain and stabilise an immediate emergency situation involving children and young people with social, emotional and mental health needs. The provider will be required to have the flexibility of service to facilitate opportunities for children and young people to move down the care continuum and/or provide short term interventions to stabilise placements. The provider will be required to work with existing local organisations to support the care plans of children and young people, including those that undertake work within the community and the family setting.

If you would like to attend the Meet the Buyer session which will be held in person at Wigmore House, 47 Eaton Green Rd, Luton LU2 9TN from 10am - you must register to attend by emailing [Caroline.sturman@luton.gov.uk](mailto:Caroline.sturman@luton.gov.uk). You will not be admitted if you haven't registered.

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

- £11,200,000 excluding VAT
- £14,000,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

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

- 11 May 2026 to 10 May 2031
- Possible extension to 10 May 2033
- 7 years

### **Main procurement category**

Services

## CPV classifications

- 85000000 - Health and social work services

## Contract locations

- UKH21 - Luton

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## Engagement

### Engagement deadline

3 November 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)**

10 November 2025

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## **Procedure**

### **Special regime**

Light touch

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## **Contracting authority**

### **Luton Council**

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PWCV-4283-GVPW

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Region: UKH21 - Luton

Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government