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Planning

Independent Visitors

The North Yorkshire Council

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Scope

Reference

453-NYC-CY

Description

North Yorkshire Council (the Authority) is requesting information from suppliers to help determine the scope and feasibility of its requirement, to understand the range of potential solutions available in the market, and to assist with drafting a potential future tender specification for Independent Visitors. It is a statutory requirement for local authorities to provide independent visitors (IVs) to looked after children who may benefit from the service. Independent visitors are volunteers who are matched with one child that they will visit once a month with a minimum commitment of 12 months.

Total value (estimated)

- £100,000 including VAT

Below the relevant threshold

Contract dates (estimated)

- 1 March 2026 to 29 February 2028
- Possible extension to 28 February 2031
- 5 years

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 85300000 - Social work and related services

Contract locations

- UKE22 - North Yorkshire CC

Engagement

Engagement deadline

6 November 2025

Engagement process description

https://uk.eu-supply.com/app/rfq/rwlenrance_s.asp?PID=99239&B=

Participation

Particular suitability

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

Publication date of tender notice (estimated)

24 November 2025

Procedure

Special regime

Light touch

Contracting authority

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Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government