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Planning

Short Breaks Services for Disabled Children and Young People

Bournemouth, Christchurch and Poole Council

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Changes to notice

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

The market engagement has been postponed - a new date will be communicated as soon as possible.

Scope

Reference

DN789451

Description

Bournemouth, Christchurch, and Poole Council (BCP Council) are hosting an online market engagement event on Tuesday 30th September, from 15:30-17:00, to promote our commissioning intentions for a new Short Breaks Framework.

This market engagement event is open to all providers who have an interest in the delivery of short breaks services for disabled children and young people (aged 0-25) and their families.

Short Breaks are designed to provide enjoyable and inclusive opportunities for children and young people with special educational needs and/or disabilities (SEND), whilst also offering families and carers regular and reliable respite.

Services will include (but are not limited to):

- Holiday and after-school activities
- Weekend and evening youth provision
- Opportunities for children and young people with complex needs
- Mentoring, befriending and community-based support
- Overnight and residential short breaks

The event will offer providers the opportunity to learn more about BCP Council's vision to provide short breaks services for disabled children and young people looked after across Bournemouth, Christchurch and Poole, overview of BCP Council's latest data and find out about the procurement process.

The tender opportunity is expected to be published on Supplying the Southwest in December 2025.

To register for the market engagement event, please send an email to

Nigel.Harvey-Whitten@bcpcouncil.gov.uk by Friday 26th September 2025, midday with your First and Last Name and organisation name.

Participation or non-participation in this market engagement event shall not prejudice

organisations participating in any future procurement process nor is it intended that any information supplied shall place any organisation at an advantage in any forthcoming procurement process

Commercial tool

Establishes a framework

Contract dates (estimated)

- 1 August 2026 to 31 July 2030
- Possible extension to 31 July 2031
- 5 years

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 80000000 - Education and training services
- 85000000 - Health and social work services

Contract locations

- UKK24 - Bournemouth, Christchurch and Poole
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Engagement

Engagement deadline

26 September 2025

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Participation

Particular suitability

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

Procedure

Special regime

Light touch

Contracting authority

Bournemouth, Christchurch and Poole Council

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PHY-7342-PRHH

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