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Planning

Provision and Management of Creative Mentoring Service

Derbyshire County Council

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Scope

Reference

CCS042

Description

The Council is aiming to commission services from a primary provider to provide creative mentors to Derbyshire's Children in Care and any child that falls within the scope of extended duties of the Virtual School from Reception to Year 13. The in-person mentoring service will be required regionally to Derbyshire and nationwide where children are placed within other local authorities.

Contract dates (estimated)

- 1 September 2026 to 31 August 2029

- Possible extension to 31 August 2032
- 6 years

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 85000000 - Health and social work services

Contract locations

- UK - United Kingdom

Engagement

Engagement deadline

17 November 2025

Engagement process description

The Soft Market information can be accessed via the following link: <https://procontract.due-north.com/Advert?advertId=bcc517a0-a6b0-f011-813a-005056b64545>

The deadline for completion of the questionnaire is 10:00 on 17/11/2025

Participation

Particular suitability

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

Contracting authority

Derbyshire County Council

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Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government