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Planning

T2695 - Expression of Interest - Medical and First Aid Provision at Fleadh Cheoil 2026

Belfast City Council

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Scope

Description

Belfast City Council invites expressions of interest from suitably qualified and experienced providers for the comprehensive management of medical and first aid services in support of the Fleadh Cheoil event. This includes, but is not limited to:

- Establishment and operation of a dedicated medical centre
- Provision and maintenance of appropriate medical equipment
- Deployment of trained medical and first aid personnel
- Supply of suitable vehicles for medical response
- Delivery of relevant training and certification
- Provision of radios or other communication equipment to support medical coordination

The appointed provider must be capable of delivering a robust and responsive medical

service that aligns with the scale and sensitivity of the event. As part of the tender process, providers will be required to demonstrate their capacity to cover the necessary number of shifts and deploy sufficient medical personnel, as deemed appropriate by the Council, to ensure public safety throughout the event duration.

This notice is issued for market engagement purposes only and does not constitute a call for competition. Responses will inform the Council's approach to procurement and service design.

Contract dates (estimated)

- 31 January 2026 to 10 August 2026
- 6 months, 11 days

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 85143000 - Ambulance services

Contract locations

- UKN - Northern Ireland

Engagement

Engagement deadline

14 November 2025

Engagement process description

Interested suppliers are invited to submit an expression of interest by emailing the Council's Corporate Procurement Services team at cps@belfastcity.gov.uk. Upon receipt, a brief scope of requirements document will be issued to help suppliers assess their capacity to deliver the proposed service.

Participation

Particular suitability

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

Submission

Publication date of tender notice (estimated)

29 January 2026

Procedure

Special regime

Light touch

Contracting authority

Belfast City Council

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PQXY-5321-CGZM

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Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government

Devolved regulations that apply: Northern Ireland