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Tender

## **Accommodation with Care (AWC) Closed Framework (B)**

Cheshire East Council

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### **Scope**

### **Reference**

C3739

### **Description**

Cheshire East Council (CEC) is recommissioning the Adult's Residential and Nursing care home service, delivered across the borough. This is known as 'Accommodation with Care' (AWC).

Providers currently delivering services under the CEC AWC Dynamic Purchasing System (DPS) will Join the New AWC Closed Framework (A) via a direct award in accordance with PA23 section 41, schedule 5 paragraph 7.

This tender opportunity enables all other Adult's Residential and Nursing care homes, located within the Borough of Cheshire East, that are registered with the Care Quality Commission (CQC), to apply to join the AWC Closed Framework (B) under the same terms.

Providers appointed to AWC Closed Framework (A) or AWC Closed Framework (B) will

have the same opportunity to bid for packages of care for whichever lot(s) they are signed up to.

The total contract value across Framework (A) and Framework (B) is £378,000,000 and is VAT exempt.

Under the Care Act, the Local Authority has a statutory responsibility to ensure this service is available for the residents of Cheshire East.

Contracted care home providers must deliver high quality, safe and personalised accommodation, with care, to Adults over 18.

The AWC service promotes choice, dignity, control and quality of life for all residents and provides modernised care and support services that deliver value for money.

This contract includes the following provisions; Mental Health, Learning Disability, Physical Disability, Intermediate Care and Discharge to Assess.

## **Commercial tool**

Establishes a framework

## **Total value (estimated)**

- £378,000,000 excluding VAT
- £378,000,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

## **Contract dates (estimated)**

- 1 April 2026 to 31 March 2031
- Possible extension to 31 March 2033
- 7 years

Description of possible extension:

2 x 12 month extensions available : -

01/04/2031 - 31/03/2032

01/04/2032 - 31/03/2033

Extension periods to be implemented at the sole discretion of the Council.

### **Main procurement category**

Services

### **CPV classifications**

- 85311000 - Social work services with accommodation

### **Contract locations**

- UKD62 - Cheshire East
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## **Lot 1. Residential Older People**

### **Description**

Lot 1 Residential Older People

Unrestricted access to this opportunity, including full service specification and tender documentation, is available via the Chest North West Portal, register for free at <https://www.the-chest.org.uk/> and express an interest in project ID DN792925

### **Lot value (estimated)**

- £378,000,000 excluding VAT
- £378,000,000 including VAT

Framework lot values may be shared with other lots

### **Same for all lots**

CPV classifications, contract locations and contract dates are shown in the Scope section, because they are the same for all lots.

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## **Lot 2. Residential Dementia**

### **Description**

Lot 2 - Residential Dementia

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### **Lot value (estimated)**

- £378,000,000 excluding VAT
- £378,000,000 including VAT

Framework lot values may be shared with other lots

### **Same for all lots**

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## **Lot 3. Residential Physical Disability**

### **Description**

Lot 3 - Residential Physical Disability

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### **Lot value (estimated)**

- £378,000,000 excluding VAT
- £378,000,000 including VAT

Framework lot values may be shared with other lots

### **Same for all lots**

CPV classifications, contract locations and contract dates are shown in the Scope section, because they are the same for all lots.

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## **Lot 4. Residential Learning Disability/Autistic Spectrum Disorder**

## Description

Lot 4 - Residential Learning Disability/Autistic Spectrum Disorder

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## Lot value (estimated)

- £378,000,000 excluding VAT
- £378,000,000 including VAT

Framework lot values may be shared with other lots

## Same for all lots

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## Lot 5. Residential Mental Health

### Description

Lot 5 - Residential Mental Health

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### Lot value (estimated)

- £378,000,000 excluding VAT
- £378,000,000 including VAT

Framework lot values may be shared with other lots

### **Same for all lots**

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## **Lot 6. Nursing Older People**

### **Description**

Lot 6 - Nursing Older People

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### **Lot value (estimated)**

- £378,000,000 excluding VAT
- £378,000,000 including VAT

Framework lot values may be shared with other lots

### **Same for all lots**

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## Lot 7. Nursing Dementia

### Description

Lot 7 - Nursing Dementia

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### Lot value (estimated)

- £378,000,000 excluding VAT
- £378,000,000 including VAT

Framework lot values may be shared with other lots

### Same for all lots

CPV classifications, contract locations and contract dates are shown in the Scope section, because they are the same for all lots.

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## Lot 8. Nursing Physical Disability / Sensory Impairment

### Description

Lot 8 - Nursing Physical Disability / Sensory Impairment

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### **Lot value (estimated)**

- £378,000,000 excluding VAT
- £378,000,000 including VAT

Framework lot values may be shared with other lots

### **Same for all lots**

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## **Lot 9. Nursing Learning Disability/Autistic Spectrum Disorder**

### **Description**

Lot 9 - Nursing Learning Disability/Autistic Spectrum Disorder

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### **Lot value (estimated)**

- £378,000,000 excluding VAT
- £378,000,000 including VAT

Framework lot values may be shared with other lots

### **Same for all lots**

CPV classifications, contract locations and contract dates are shown in the Scope section,

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## **Lot 10. Nursing Mental Health**

### **Description**

Lot 10 - Nursing Mental Health

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### **Lot value (estimated)**

- £378,000,000 excluding VAT
- £378,000,000 including VAT

Framework lot values may be shared with other lots

### **Same for all lots**

CPV classifications, contract locations and contract dates are shown in the Scope section, because they are the same for all lots.

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## **Framework**

### **Maximum number of suppliers**

Unlimited

## **Maximum percentage fee charged to suppliers**

0%

## **Framework operation description**

Unrestricted access to this opportunity, including tender documentation, is available via the Chest North West Portal, register for free at <https://www.the-chest.org.uk/> and express an interest in project ID DN792925

Please refer to schedule 9 - The Award Criteria included within the tender documents.

## **Award method when using the framework**

Either with or without competition

## **Contracting authorities that may use the framework**

Establishing party only

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## **Submission**

### **Enquiry deadline**

12 November 2025, 12:00pm

### **Tender submission deadline**

19 November 2025, 9:00am

## **Submission address and any special instructions**

Unrestricted access to this opportunity is available via the Chest North West Portal, register for free at <https://www.the-chest.org.uk/>

Express your interest in project ID DN792925 to access and download the associated tender documents.

## **Tenders may be submitted electronically**

Yes

## **Languages that may be used for submission**

English

## **Award decision date (estimated)**

8 December 2025

## **Recurring procurement**

Publication date of next tender notice (estimated): 1 July 2031

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## **Award criteria**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Type</b>
Insurance at contract commencement	Bidders are asked to self declare that relevant insurance cover will be in place at contract commencement. This will be assessed as pass/fail - refer to tender documents for full details.	Quality
Experience and Contract Examples	Pass/Fail - refer to tender documents for full details.	Quality
Employment Checks	Pass/Fail - refer to tender documents for full details	Quality
Data Security	Pass/Fail - refer to guidance document and ICO Data Assurance Questionnaire for full details	Quality
Compliance with Equality Legislation	Pass/Fail - refer to tender documents for full details	Quality
Policies & Procedures	Pass/Fail - refer to tender documents for full details	Quality
CQC Registration	Pass/Fail - refer to tender documents for full details. Providers that are not correctly registered with the Care Quality Commission (CQC) or that fail to provide their CQC registration number will fail.	Quality
Accommodation with Care Location	Pass/Fail - refer to tender documents for full details. This opportunity is open to care homes located within the borough of Cheshire East.	Quality
Social Value	Pass/Fail - refer to tender documents for full details.	Quality

## **Weighting description**

The Assessment Process and Award Criteria

The procurement process will follow the below structure:

Compliance check: Preliminary Questions (Potential Supplier Information, Part 1 - Confirmation of Core Supplier Information, Part 2 - Additional Exclusions Information),

### Part 3 - Questions Relating to Conditions of Participation, and Compliance with Specification & Scope.

All complaint bids that pass the conditions of participation and comply with the Specification and Scope will be granted admission to Cheshire East Council AWC Closed Framework (B)

Conditions of participation have been set within the PSQ Response Document of this ITT. These conditions of participation are the minimum standards which Suppliers must meet or exceed in order to be granted admission to the framework. The conditions of participation ensure that Suppliers have the legal and financial capacity and the technical ability to perform the Contract.

Any Supplier failing any of the conditions of participation, giving rise to concerns which cannot be satisfied, will fail and will be excluded from the procurement.

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## Other information

### Applicable trade agreements

- Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

### Conflicts assessment prepared/revised

Yes

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## Procedure

### Procedure type

Open procedure

## **Special regime**

Light touch

## **Reduced tendering period**

Yes

Light touch contract - no minimum

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## **Contracting authority**

### **Cheshire East Council**

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PTWR-7124-XZXQ

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United Kingdom

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Region: UKD62 - Cheshire East

Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government