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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
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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.

Lot 2. Residential Dementia

Description

Lot 2 - Residential Dementia

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Lot value (estimated)

- £378,000,000 excluding VAT
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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

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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

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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

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

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.

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
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Framework lot values may be shared with other lots

Same for all lots

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Framework

Maximum number of suppliers

Unlimited

Maximum percentage fee charged to suppliers

0%

Framework operation description

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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

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

Award criteria

Name	Description	Type
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.

Other information

Applicable trade agreements

- Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

Conflicts assessment prepared/revised

Yes

Procedure

Procedure type

Open procedure

Special regime

Light touch

Reduced tendering period

Yes

Light touch contract - no minimum

Contracting authority

Cheshire East Council

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PTWR-7124-XZXQ

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