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Planning

Expression of Interest: Enhanced Support for Females Experiencing Multiple Disadvantage (Including Substance Use)

Stockton on Tees Borough Council

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Changes to notice

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

The update relates to the contract end date if all optional extensions are taken which has changed from 31 March 2030 to 31 March 2031

Scope

Description

Stockton-on-Tees Borough Council are seeking providers for the provision of Enhanced Support for Vulnerable Females Experiencing Multiple Disadvantage (Including Substance Use).

As part of local and national ambitions to reduce unmet need for substance use, improve support for people experiencing complex lives/multiple disadvantage, improve accessibility of services (including outreach/out-of-office offers) and reduce health inequalities across at-risk population groups, the service aims to:

- Provide a flexible 'duty' response offer to support the immediate needs of females experiencing multiple disadvantage, recognising that this community doesn't always engage well with appointment based/case work, or sometimes requires more urgent care and support.
- Provide enhanced outreach services and out-of-hours support to engage females experiencing multiple disadvantage, including joint work with local substance use treatment and recovery services.

This market engagement is being advertised on the OPEN procurement portal (www.open-uk.org), reference: OPEN20251796.

Interested providers are required to complete and return the attached document via the OPEN portal before the submission deadline of 12pm on Thursday 6th November 2025.

Contract dates (estimated)

- 1 April 2026 to 31 March 2027
- Possible extension to 31 March 2031
- 5 years

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 85000000 - Health and social work services

Contract locations

- UKC11 - Hartlepool and Stockton-on-Tees

Engagement

Engagement deadline

6 November 2025

Engagement process description

Providers who would be interested in bidding for this contract must access the opportunity via the OPEN portal: <https://www.open-uk.org/opportunities/overview/public/e54afce8-18bd-4764-ab80-46bc1914724d>

Providers must then complete and submit the attached document before the specified deadline. Any clarifications shall be raised via the correspondence functionality on OPEN.

Participation

Particular suitability

- Small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)

- Voluntary, community and social enterprises (VCSE)

Submission

Publication date of tender notice (estimated)

14 November 2025

Procedure

Special regime

Light touch

Contracting authority

Stockton on Tees Borough Council

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Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government