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Planning

In-Reach Talking Therapies, Counselling and Psychotherapy for Substance Use Service Users

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 possible extensions are taken, which has changed from 31 March 2030 to 31 March 2031.

Scope

Reference

OPEN20251808

Description

Stockton-on-Tees Borough Council are seeking expressions of interest for the provision of In-Reach Talking Therapies, Counselling and Psychotherapy for Substance Use Service Users.

It is widely recognised that trauma and mental health issues are often intertwined with problematic substance use, and that failing to address both in tandem can make achieving long-term recovery difficult.

Therefore, this service aims to:

- Provide effective and timely 'in-reach' talking therapies, counselling and psychotherapy support for adults and young people accessing substance use treatment and recovery services in Stockton-on-Tees.
- Support the substance use treatment and recovery workforce to improve current triage, assessment and referral processes regarding mental health and dual diagnosis, via specialist advice, guidance and training.

This service will enhance the existing 'Dual Diagnosis' offer within substance use treatment services, by helping service users to effectively address the underlying root causes of their substance use behaviours whilst increasing their chances for long-term recovery.

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

7 November 2025

Engagement process description

Stockton on Tees Borough Council are seeking expression of interests for the provision of In-Reach Talking Therapies, Counselling and Psychotherapy for Substance Use Service Users.

The opportunity is being advertised on the OPEN procurement portal that can be accessed by the following link:

<https://www.open-uk.org/opportunities/overview/public/8fdbcf13-fbc8-4b93-8f64-d9cda0a4f4e7>

Interested providers are to review the advertisement on OPEN and complete and return the Expression of Interest document within the specified deadline.

If there any problems accessing this opportunity, please contact corporateprocurement@stockton.gov.uk

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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