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Award

Integrated Youth Service Offer

Knowsley Council

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Scope

Reference

DN778382

Description

The delivery of the Councils Youth Service for children and young people aged 11-19 (25 SEND) via Detached Youth Work and Targeted 1:1 interventions in order to meet requirements under Section 507B of the Education Act 1996.

Lot 1. Detached and Holistic Health & Wellbeing Support for

Young People (THinK)

Description

The aim of this Service is to intervene in the lives of young people and offer a challenging programme of informal social education. Youth workers on this service will be important influencers on young people's lives to stimulate discussion and involve them in a variety of activities. This model of youth work practice will be targeted at young people on their territory (streets, parks, open and shared public spaces). Participation is voluntary and engagement is on the terms of the young people.

This service will also be responsible for delivering our 'youth voice' offer across the Borough, including the responsibility for the maintenance and delivery of our local Youth Cabinet and associated youth engagement and social action groups.

The service will also be responsible for delivering holistic health and wellbeing support provision for young people within the borough of Knowsley. This element of the service will be called the Teenage Health in Knowsley Service (THinK). The THinK service will be responsible for working with the Council and partner organisations to deliver public health interventions, information, advice and support to young people in Knowsley. The service must work with colleagues in public health and partner organisations across Knowsley to co-design this support. The service will act as a key delivery partner to ensure that key public health messages, interventions, information, advice and support are provided to young people in Knowsley in a consistent and seamless manner. An important aspect of this co-ordination role will be developing 'drop-down' days in individual schools where young people have the opportunity to engage with a range of health services on site, and creating an agreed calendar of activity, developed in conjunction with individual schools and our main providers

The successful Provider will be required to support the priorities set out within the Knowsley Cared for Children Strategy 2023-2026 and Knowsley Care Experienced People Strategy 2023-2026. This will include providing a dedicated offer over a minimum of two days at Our Place, but with the ambition to grow an offer that will support and enhance opportunities for care experienced people to achieve their aspirations.

Maintenance of the Our Place building on Longview Drive, Huyton will also be included in this Contract. The anticipated costs associated with the running of this building have been included as part of the Contract's budget. Please be aware that no equipment or assets currently in the building will transfer as part of the contract but may be agreed by way of separate negotiations with the incumbent Provider.

Lot 2. Targeted 1:1 Service

Description

The aim of this Service is to support young people in the Borough to ensure they reach their potential; overcome barriers they face and achieve the outcomes and goals they set themselves. The Service will work in a variety of ways; including 1-1, small group work, coaching, etc., and will be responsible for the promotion of the Service to young people in the area. The Service will also contribute to Boroughwide activities and events for young people.

Contract 1. Integrated Youth Service Offer

Lots

Lot 1. Detached and Holistic Health & Wellbeing Support for Young People (THink)

Lot 2. Targeted 1:1 Service

Supplier

- MERSEYSIDE YOUTH ASSOCIATION LIMITED

Contract value

- £4,680,000 excluding VAT
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Above the relevant threshold

Award decision date

20 November 2025

Date assessment summaries were sent to tenderers

26 November 2025

Standstill period

- End: 8 December 2025
- 8 working days

Earliest date the contract will be signed

9 December 2025

Contract dates (estimated)

- 1 February 2026 to 31 January 2030
- Possible extension to 31 January 2032
- 6 years

Description of possible extension:

If service lead are satisfied with the providers performance and to maintain continuity of service. Will request an extension.

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 98133110 - Services provided by youth associations

Contract locations

- UKD - North West (England)

Information about tenders

Lot 1. Detached and Holistic Health & Wellbeing Support for Young People (THinK)

- 5 tenders received
- 3 tenders assessed in the final stage:
 - 3 submitted by small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)
 - 0 submitted by voluntary, community and social enterprises (VCSE)
- 1 supplier awarded contracts
- 2 suppliers unsuccessful (details included for contracts over £5 million)

Lot 2. Targeted 1:1 Service

- 6 tenders received

- 4 tenders assessed in the final stage:
 - 4 submitted by small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)
 - 0 submitted by voluntary, community and social enterprises (VCSE)
- 1 supplier awarded contracts
- 3 suppliers unsuccessful (details included for contracts over £5 million)

Procedure

Procedure type

Open procedure

Special regime

Light touch

Supplier

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Small or medium-sized enterprise (SME): Yes

Voluntary, community or social enterprise (VCSE): No

Supported employment provider: No

Public service mutual: No

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Contracting authority

Knowsley Council

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