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**Planning** 

### **IA3617 Communicator Guide Service**

Staffordshire County Council

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#### Scope

#### Reference

IA3617

## **Description**

Staffordshire County Council (The Authority) would like Service Providers to engage in pre-market engagement, before 5pm on 01/12/2025 by responding to a questionnaire.

#### THIS NOTICE IS FOR INFORMATION

The information contained in this notice, including information relating to the nature and scope of the requirements, any estimated value, the service classification of this requirement and the list of CPV codes, is only indicative of current thinking and is neither exhaustive nor binding and the Authority reserves the right at its absolute discretion to amend it at the time of issue of any further notices or at any other time.

The publication of this notice in no way obliges the Authority to commence any competitive tender process. The Authority is not and shall not be liable for any costs

incurred by those expressing an interest in participating in this premarket engagement exercise.

### **Contract dates (estimated)**

- 1 September 2026 to 31 August 2028
- Possible extension to 31 August 2030
- 4 years

# Main procurement category

Services

### **CPV** classifications

- 79540000 Interpretation services
- 85000000 Health and social work services

#### **Contract locations**

• UKG24 - Staffordshire CC

## **Engagement**

### **Engagement deadline**

1 December 2025

#### **Engagement process description**

Communicator Guides (Sensory Provision) for Deaf, Visual Impaired and Deafblind people.

The Council are seeking engagement from the market prior to making decisions on whether to re-commission the communicator guide framework that is currently in place. The council would like your feedback on the following questions in accordance with the six permitted purposes for PME of the Procurement Act 2023.

Please use the following web link -

https://forms.office.com/e/QtrFTwzwnz

If you encounter any difficulties with the link, please contact Older People & Physical Disabilities Commissioning Team <a href="mailto:oppdcommissioning@staffordshire.gov.uk">oppdcommissioning@staffordshire.gov.uk</a> and request a QR code for the IA3617 pre-market engagement form, as we were unable to copy this into the notice.

# **Participation**

## Particular suitability

- Small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)
- Voluntary, community and social enterprises (VCSE)

#### **Submission**

Publication date of tender notice (estimated)

2 February 2026

#### **Procedure**

# Special regime

Light touch

# **Contracting authority**

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