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Planning

Essex Future Adoption and Kinship Support Services

Essex County Council

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Changes to notice

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

RSVP date changed from by Monday 1st December at 12 noon.

to RSVP by Friday 5th December at 12 noon to allow for more response time.

Scope

Description

Specialist support services for adoptive and kinship families. This may include but is not limited to training, therapeutic interventions and specialist assessments.

Commercial tool

Establishes a framework

Contract dates (estimated)

- 1 April 2026 to 31 March 2029
- Possible extension to 31 March 2030
- 4 years

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 85000000 - Health and social work services

Contract locations

- UKH3 - Essex

Engagement

Engagement deadline

12 December 2025

Engagement process description

Essex County Council invites you to attend a market engagement event to update you on the future of adoption and kinship specialist support services.

Date: 08/12/2025

Time: 10:30 - 12

Location: Microsoft Teams

In this session we will:

- Share details of the upcoming procurement process and the new framework structure
- Explain the changes and adaptations we've introduced to improve service delivery and flexibility
- Gather feedback to refine our requirements

To reserve a place or express interest if you are unable to attend, please confirm on behalf of your organisation by emailing Isabelle.clarke@essex.gov.uk and jake.berridge@essex.gov.uk with the following details:

- Organisation name
- Name(s) of attendee(s)
- Contact email address

RSVP by Friday 5th December at 12 noon.

We look forward to your participation and valuable input.

Participation

Particular suitability

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

Procedure

Special regime

Light touch

Contracting authority

Essex County Council

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