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Planning

North Area Council Welfare Advice Service - Pre-Market Engagement Questionnaire

Barnsley Metropolitan Borough Council

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Scope

Reference

P055

Description

The Council is intending to undertake a procurement exercise for a welfare advice service in the North Area of Barnsley. In order to help inform such an exercise, the Council is undertaking this pre-market engagement stage to explore what is available and seek feedback and guidance from the supply market. The potential requirement will be around:

- Delivery of a welfare advice service accessible to residents in the wards in the North Area i.e. Darton East, Darton West, Old Town and St Helens.
- Delivery of drop in sessions at community venues within each of the aforementioned wards.
- Delivery of a service that enables residents to obtain advice and support on a plethora of topics including but not limited to welfare, benefits, employment, power of attorney, etc.
- It is a prerequisite that the successful provider will hold the Advice Quality Standard (AQS)

As part of this exercise the Council is requesting responses to a number of questions detailed at Appendix 1 - Request for Information within the Pre-Market Engagement - Document

for Suppliers. For further information, please download the information document and submit completed questionnaires via YORtender by the deadline of 12noon on 12/12/2025. Please note that the value and contract dates used within this notice are estimates and to be confirmed.

Total value (estimated)

- £330,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Contract dates (estimated)

- 1 July 2026 to 1 July 2029
- 3 years, 1 day

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 85000000 - Health and social work services
- 85100000 - Health services
- 85140000 - Miscellaneous health services
- 85312300 - Guidance and counselling services
- 85312310 - Guidance services

Contract locations

- UK - United Kingdom

Engagement

Engagement deadline

12 December 2025

Engagement process description

https://uk.eu-supply.com/app/rfq/rwlentrance_s.asp?PID=100429&TID=105681&B=

Participation

Particular suitability

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

Submission

Publication date of tender notice (estimated)

9 January 2026

Contracting authority

Barnsley Metropolitan Borough Council

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Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government