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Tender

Mental Health Supported Accommodation Service

Slough Borough Council

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Scope

Reference

SBC 038789

Description

Slough Borough Council is seeking to commission suitably experienced provider(s) for a mental health supported accommodation service across two lots for adults with severe and enduring mental illness.

The service will cover:

Lot 1 - High-Support Step-Down Mental Health Supported Accommodation (accommodation-based, 24/7 staffing, waking night cover) for people stepping down from hospital or similar intensive settings (up to 10 beds)

Lot 2a - Medium-High Support Mental Health Supported Accommodation for people who no longer require high support but still need a structured, staffed environment (up to 10 beds).

Lot 2b - Low Support Step-Down Accommodation with Floating Support for people preparing to move on to fully independent living, with time-limited, tapered outreach support (up to 6 beds).

The services will be required to operate across three or more buildings in Slough, providing self-contained accommodation with integrated housing-related support, recovery-focused key-working and strong links with Community Mental Health Services, primary care and wider community resources.

The pathway is designed to:

enable timely, safe discharge from hospital and prevent avoidable admission

promote recovery, wellbeing and independence

reduce out-of-area placements and long-term institutional care

improve tenancy sustainment and prevent homelessness

reduce use of crisis and inpatient services

The main role of the Lots, taken together, is to provide a step-down and progression pathway from higher levels of support into ordinary housing, with time-limited resettlement support after move-on.

The contract will commence on 1 July 2026 for a one year period with an option to extend for a further 12 months.

We are holding a Supplier Engagement event on 19th December 2025 at 10am. Further details are in the ITT.

Total value (estimated)

- £1,268,852 excluding VAT
- £1,522,622 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Contract dates (estimated)

- 1 July 2026 to 30 June 2027
- Possible extension to 1 July 2028
- 2 years, 1 day

Description of possible extension:

There is an option to extend this contract for 12 months.

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 85000000 - Health and social work services
- 85300000 - Social work and related services
- 85311000 - Social work services with accommodation

Contract locations

- UKJ11 - Berkshire

Lot constraints

Maximum number of lots a supplier can bid for: 1

Maximum number of lots a supplier can be awarded: 1

Lot 1. High Support Step Down Mental Health Supported Accommodation (lot 1)

Description

Accommodation-based (up to 10 beds), 24/7 staffing, waking night cover for people stepping down from hospital or similar intensive settings.

Lot value (estimated)

- £839,512 excluding VAT
- £1,007,414 including VAT

Same for all lots

CPV classifications, contract locations and contract dates are shown in the Scope section, because they are the same for all lots.

Lot 2. Medium-High Support and Step-down & Low Floating Support Mental Health Supported Accommodation - (lot2a/lot2b)

Description

Lot 2a - for people who no longer require high support but still need a structured, staffed environment (up to 10 beds)

Lot 2b - for people preparing to move on to fully independent living, with time-limited,

tapered outreach support.

Lot value (estimated)

- £429,340 excluding VAT
- £515,208 including VAT

Same for all lots

CPV classifications, contract locations and contract dates are shown in the Scope section, because they are the same for all lots.

Participation

Particular suitability

Lot 1. High Support Step Down Mental Health Supported Accommodation (lot 1)

Lot 2. Medium-High Support and Step-down & Low Floating Support Mental Health Supported Accommodation - (lot2a/lot2b)

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

Submission

Enquiry deadline

6 January 2026, 12:00pm

Tender submission deadline

15 January 2026, 12:00pm

Submission address and any special instructions

<https://in-tendhost.co.uk/sesharedservices/aspx/Home>

Tenders may be submitted electronically

Yes

Languages that may be used for submission

English

Award decision date (estimated)

18 February 2026

Recurring procurement

Publication date of next tender notice (estimated): 31 July 2027

Award criteria

Name	Type	Weighting
Quality	Quality	60%
Price	Price	40%

Other information

Description of risks to contract performance

The services will be block funded, with a total contracted capacity of 26 self-contained units across Lots 1, 2a and 2b. Occupancy levels may fluctuate over time. The Authority, working with NHS partners, reserves the right to review and, where appropriate, vary the contracted capacity and configuration of the Lots during the term in line with demand, pathways and funding, in accordance with the contract modification provisions.

Conflicts assessment prepared/revised

Yes

Procedure

Procedure type

Open procedure

Special regime

Light touch

Documents

Associated tender documents

<https://in-tendhost.co.uk/sesharedservices/aspx/Home>

Bidders are to access procurement documents in the link attached. Reference SBC 038789

Contracting authority

Slough Borough Council

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