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Award

Independent Health and Social Care Advocacy for Adults

Bath & North East Somerset Council

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Scope

Reference

DN784732

Description

Bath and North East Somerset Council is recommissioning its statutory advocacy services for adults. This includes support under the Care Act, Mental Capacity Act (including DoLS and Liberty Protection Safeguards), Mental Health Act, and advocacy for complaints relating to health and social care. The aim is to ensure residents have access to high-quality, independent advocacy that upholds their rights, supports decision-making, and reflects local needs and legislative requirements.

The maximum estimated value of this contract is £1,249,045.00 for the duration of the contract, including any possible extensions and including additional 10% that can be triggered to respond to demand or changes in legislation. The initial contract period is 3 years with one possible extension of up to 24 months.

Contract 1. Independent Health and Social Care Advocacy for Adults

Supplier

- THE ADVOCACY PEOPLE

Contract value

- £1,249,045 excluding VAT
- £1,498,854 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Award decision date

10 December 2025

Date assessment summaries were sent to tenderers

11 December 2025

Standstill period

- End: 22 December 2025
- 8 working days

Earliest date the contract will be signed

2 January 2026

Contract dates (estimated)

- 1 April 2026 to 31 March 2029
- Possible extension to 31 March 2031
- 5 years

Description of possible extension:

The initial contract period is 3 years with one possible extension of up to 24 months.

Main procurement category

Services

Options

The right to additional purchases while the contract is valid.

The maximum estimated value includes additional 10% that can be triggered to respond to demand or changes in legislation.

CPV classifications

- 85000000 - Health and social work services

Contract locations

- UKK12 - Bath and North East Somerset, North Somerset and South Gloucestershire

Information about tenders

- 7 tenders received
- 4 tenders assessed in the final stage:
 - 3 submitted by small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)
 - 3 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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- Charity Commission (England and Wales): 1080679

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Region: UKJ22 - East Sussex CC

Small or medium-sized enterprise (SME): Yes

Voluntary, community or social enterprise (VCSE): Yes

Supported employment provider: No

Public service mutual: No

Contract 1. Independent Health and Social Care Advocacy for Adults

Contracting authority

Bath & North East Somerset Council

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PLVH-3287-JWJV

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Region: UKK12 - Bath and North East Somerset, North Somerset and South Gloucestershire

Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government