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Tender

VCSE Infrastructure Support Services

Gateshead Borough Council

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Scope

Description

Gateshead Council is looking to implement a Contract with a qualified and experienced external contractor to deliver VCSE infrastructure support services.

The provider will be expected to deliver a range of sector support including provision of information, advice and guidance, training, networking opportunities and facilitation, sector representation, and maintenance and promotion of the Our Gateshead website.

Total value (estimated)

- £1,022,500 excluding VAT
- £1,227,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Contract dates (estimated)

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

Description of possible extension:

2 x 12 month extensions

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 85320000 - Social services

Contract locations

- UKC2 - Northumberland and Tyne and Wear

Participation

Particular suitability

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

Submission

Enquiry deadline

16 January 2026, 12:00pm

Tender submission deadline

23 January 2026, 12:00pm

Submission address and any special instructions

Tenders must be submitted electronically via the Open system: www.open.org. The reference is Project # OPEN20251894 VCSE Infrastructure Support Services

Tenders may be submitted electronically

Yes

Languages that may be used for submission

English

Award decision date (estimated)

12 February 2026

Award criteria

Name	Type	Weighting
Quality	Quality	90%
Social Value	Quality	10%

Other information

Conflicts assessment prepared/revised

Yes

Procedure

Procedure type

Open procedure

Contracting authority

Gateshead Borough Council

- UK Register of Learning Providers (UKPRN number): 10002639
- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PPGY-1151-NJQN

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Region: UKC22 - Tyneside

Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government