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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

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## **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](http://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

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## Award criteria

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

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## Other information

### Conflicts assessment prepared/revised

Yes

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## Procedure

### Procedure type

Open procedure

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## Contracting authority

### Gateshead Borough Council

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

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Website: <https://www.gateshead.gov.uk/article/31230/Learning-and-Skills>

Region: UKC22 - Tyneside

Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government