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Contract

## **Sensory Occupational Therapy and Speech and Language Therapy for Virtual School & Additionally Resourced Provisions**

The Council of the Borough of Kirklees

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### **Scope**

### **Reference**

KMCCYP-206

### **Description**

- Lot 1 Speech & Language Therapy

Demand for our mainstream speech and language therapy offer is high, meaning that waiting times are longer than we would like them to be. Due to the additional needs and circumstances experienced by children looked after, we want to provide some additional, tailored and prioritised support for this cohort of young people. This is line with our corporate parenting approach.

The aim of this contract is to provide a dedicated commissioned pathway for children looked after (CLA) to provide an initial SALT assessment and recommendations for the

support required as a result. We expect to see a dedicated allocation of 4 days per month, to support Virtual School referrals. The caseload will be prioritised for action in conjunction with the Virtual School.

- Lot 2 Sensory Occupational Therapy

We currently have over 60 Children & Young People in care with an EHCP where Social, Emotional & Mental Health (SEMH) recorded as the primary need. These Young People are in various educational settings, including mainstream, special and independent schools.

Of these, 44 Young People have had concerns raised regarding sensory seeking or avoidance. These young people do not have sensory integration needs linked to a neurodivergent diagnosis, however they do present with trauma based sensory dysregulation that is impacting their readiness to access learning, having their needs met in school, stability of school placement and undoubtedly is impacting on care placement stability.

The aim of this contract is to provide a dedicated commissioned pathway for CLA to provide specialist OT sensory trauma pathway and recommendations for the support required as a result.

The commissioned OT service will also be supported by the Kirklees Council Educational Psychology team to promote trauma informed practice and help to upskill staff across schools and the Learning service.

We expect to see a dedicated allocation of 2 days per week year-round to support Virtual School referrals. The caseload will be prioritised for action in conjunction with the Virtual School.

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## **Contract 1**

### **Supplier**

- Locala Community Partnerships CIC

### **Contract value**

- £151,870 excluding VAT
- £182,244 including VAT

Below the relevant threshold

### **Date signed**

19 December 2025

### **Contract dates**

- 12 January 2026 to 11 January 2027
- Possible extension to 11 January 2029
- 3 years

Description of possible extension:

The Contract shall be for an initial period of twelve (12) months commencing on 12th January 2026 and expiring on 11th January 2027 (the "Contract Period"), with the provision to extend this for up to two (2) further periods of one (1) year each.

### **Main procurement category**

Services

### **CPV classifications**

- 85000000 - Health and social work services

## **Contract locations**

- UKE44 - Calderdale and Kirklees

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## **Procedure**

### **Procedure type**

Below threshold - limited competition

### **Special regime**

Light touch

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## **Supplier**

### **Locala Community Partnerships CIC**

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Region: UKE44 - Calderdale and Kirklees

Small or medium-sized enterprise (SME): No

Voluntary, community or social enterprise (VCSE): Yes

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## Contracting authority

### The Council of the Borough of Kirklees

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PXHZ-9111-QHMJ

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Website: <http://www.kirklees.gov.uk>

Region: UKE44 - Calderdale and Kirklees

Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government

