

Derby City Council – Response
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Information Requested	Response
<p>1. Adult Community Social Care</p> <p>Please provide details on the procurement routes utilized, such as Dynamic Purchasing System (DPS), Framework Agreements, Spot Purchase Agreements, HealthTrust Europe (HTE), or any other specified frameworks.</p>	<p>The Council employs various procurement routes including frameworks to ensure that we meet the specified requirements while ensuring the delivery of quality services at the best value. Spot purchasing may be utilised from time to time.</p> <p>Each of these procurement routes is managed with a focus on compliance, transparency, and achieving the best value for money while meeting the specific needs of the community.</p>
<p>2. Children's Community Social Care</p> <p>Could you detail the frameworks or agreements used for community-based services for children, including family support services, youth mental health, and early intervention programs?</p>	<p>The Council will continuously review and adapts its procurement strategies to ensure high-quality service delivery and support for the community whilst ensuring we procure in compliance with Public Contract Regulations 2015 and/or Provider Selection Regime 2023</p> <p>Details of our current contracts can be found on the Derby City website Open data and transparency - Derby City Council this data includes details of the relevant procurement route. Any new tender opportunities will be advertised via East Midlands Tenders East Midlands Procurement Portal - Home</p>
<p>3. Mental Health and Well-being Services in the Community</p> <p>What are the procurement routes available for securing community-based mental health support services?</p>	
<p>4. Community Supported Living and Housing Support</p> <p>Please indicate if the council uses frameworks, DPS, Spot Purchases, or any collaborative procurement partnerships, and how these are managed specifically for community</p>	

supported living and housing support.	
<p>5. Community-Based Personal Care and Reablement Services</p> <p>Could you specify the preferred procurement methods for personal care and reablement services offered within community settings?</p>	
<p>6. Learning Disabilities and Autism Support in the Community</p> <p>For community-based services relating to learning disabilities and autism support, please provide information on the procurement routes, including any specialist frameworks.</p> <p>Please see Q7 – Q9 response below.</p>	
Additionally, for each community-based service area, please provide:	
<p>7. The current and planned future procurement routes.</p>	<p>Any new tender opportunities will be advertised via East Midlands Tenders East Midlands Procurement Portal – East Midlands Procurement Portal - Home</p>
<p>8. The criteria or process by which new suppliers can register or apply to be considered under each procurement route.</p>	<p>The Public Contracts Regulations 2015 (PCR2015) outline the criteria and processes by which new suppliers can register or apply to be considered under various procurement routes. Here is an overview of how suppliers can engage with each procurement route:</p> <p><u>Framework Agreements:</u></p> <p>Criteria: Suppliers must meet specific pre-qualification criteria, which typically include financial stability, relevant experience, and technical capability.</p> <p>Process: Suppliers can apply during the initial tendering process when the framework is being established. They need to respond to a Contract Notice published on platforms such as Find a Tender Service (FTS) or Contracts</p>



Finder, providing the required documentation and evidence of their capabilities.

Dynamic Purchasing System (DPS):

Criteria: Similar to frameworks, suppliers must meet predefined criteria related to their ability to deliver the required services.

Process: Unlike frameworks, DPS allows suppliers to join at any time during its validity. Suppliers can apply by responding to a Contract Notice and submitting the necessary documentation. If they meet the criteria, they are admitted to the DPS and can participate in further competitions for specific contracts.

Spot Purchase Agreements:

Criteria: These are typically used for one-off purchases, and the criteria can vary based on the specific needs of the purchase.

Process: Suppliers are usually selected based on their ability to meet the immediate requirements of the council. This may involve a simplified tender process or direct negotiation, depending on the value and urgency of the purchase.

Collaborative Procurement Partnerships:

Criteria: Suppliers must meet the criteria set by the lead organisation or consortium managing the partnership. This often includes demonstrating their capability to work collaboratively and deliver consistent quality across multiple stakeholders.

Process: Suppliers can apply through the lead organisation's procurement process, which may involve responding to a Contract Notice and providing detailed submissions showcasing their suitability for collaborative projects.



	For all procurement routes, suppliers should regularly monitor procurement portals East Midlands Tenders East Midlands Procurement Portal – East Midlands Procurement Portal - Home to stay informed about new opportunities and application windows.
9. Any anticipated changes to the procurement routes or frameworks for these community services in the next 12 months.	The Council will consider the appropriate route to market (including the use of appropriate frameworks) at the time of procurement to ensure that we meet the specified requirements while ensuring the delivery of quality services at the best value.

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