

### **Supported Living (shared hours and 1:1) procurement**

**\*\*Please note, Torbay Council are only advertising this opportunity to direct potential interested providers to the opportunity being run by Torbay and South Devon NHS Foundation Trust. Expressing an interest on the Supplying the Southwest Portal does not automatically mean that you will be taking part in this opportunity. You must ensure that you follow the link about for a chance to participate\*\***

The link to take part in this opportunity is below:

<https://uk.eu-supply.com/ctm/Supplier/PublicPurchase/38398/0/0?returnUrl=ctm/Supplier/publictenders&b=NHSSW>

Torbay and South Devon NHS Foundation Trust (TSDFT) and Torbay Council are re- opening the tender opportunity for Torbay's non-framework Providers and other interested parties to apply for the provision of Supported Living under two lots comprising of shared hours and 1:1 hours services in Torbay.

TSDFT is running an Any Qualified Provider (AQP) process, whereby any Provider who passes the evaluation steps outlined within the Application Pack will be awarded a place on the AQP / Supported Living framework.

TSDFT and the Council are keen to work with providers, who are successful in this tender, along with existing framework providers, to develop innovative and independent supported living services in preventing residential admission, enabling people to remain in the community to develop / maintain their independent living skills.

### **Supported Living (shared and 1:1 hours ) Services in Torbay**

Supported Living is a key priority for Torbay and South Devon NHS Foundation Trust (TSDFT) and Torbay Council; we are keen to work in partnership with Providers who are willing to review and modernise Supported Living services; to develop models working towards increasing independence. The aim is to ensure Supported Living (Accommodation with Care and Support) meets and supports our new Model of Care and aligns with Torbay's market position statement, Devon STP's and local housing strategy.

Historically Supported Living was characterised by enormous variation and diversity in the types of Providers, scheme characteristics, client groups and housing models. It had developed in different ways, depending on which client group it was intended to accommodate.

Within Torbay our Supported Living framework aims to redress the variation in understanding and harmonise all Supported Living provision in line with the Care Act 2014 definition. The Care Act 2014 defines Supported Living to mean:

1. Accommodation in premises which are specifically designed or adapted for occupation by adults with needs for care and support to enable them to live as independently as possible

and

2. Accommodation which is provided:

- i) In premises which are intended for occupation by adults with needs for care and support (whether or not the premises are specifically designed or adapted for that purpose)
- ii) In circumstances in which personal care is available if required.

For the purposes of point 2, personal care (and support) may be provided by a person other than the person who provides the accommodation.

For the purpose of this contract Supported Living shared hours denotes accommodation where there is delivery of shared care and support to people within shared accommodation, a single building or buildings within close proximity. Supported Living 1:1 hours is dedicated time working directly with the client. The client has the right to choose the same or alternative providers for their 1:1 hours.

### **Procurement**

Supported Living shared and 1:1 hours procurement AQP is open to all Providers currently in the Supported Living Services market or considering a move into the market within the geographic area of Torbay. Contractual arrangements will run to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2022 in line with our current framework supported living contracts. The service is being commissioned using the Any Qualified Provider process. The base tariffs for 21/22 are:

Day rate: £16.63 per hour

Night rate: £11.09 per hour

All potential Providers who wish to be considered will be required to complete an AQP Application Pack. TSDFT will evaluate the responses to determine if a Provider is sufficiently qualified to provide the service specified in the Service Specification contained within the application pack.

All existing non-framework Providers delivering Supported Living shared and / or 1:1 hours will be required to participate in order to be able to be accredited to continue to provide their existing service.

To register interest in applying, please go to <https://uk.eu-supply.com/login.asp?B=NHSSW>

Click on 'Current tender opportunities' and follow the on screen instructions. You will be given the opportunity to view all Supported Living documents prior to expressing an interest.

Please note that expressions of interest will not be accepted by any means other than through the EU-Supply e-tendering system.

The closing date for this window is before 12:00 noon Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> July. The Services to which this Procurement relates fall within Schedule 3 of the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 (the 'Regulations'). As such, the procurement of the Services is being run as a bespoke, single stage application process akin to the Open procedure, involving a number of steps which are outlined

within the suite of procurement documents. TSDFT does not intend to hold itself bound by any of the Regulations, save those applicable to Schedule 3 Services.

Timescales are below:

Procurement timeline – Supported Living (shared and 1:1 hours) – new window opportunity 2021 June	
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> June 2021	AQP Issued
Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> July 2021	Deadline for the receipt of Clarification Questions
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> July 2021	Upload response to Clarification Questions
<b>Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> July 2021</b>	<b>Deadline for Receipt of AQP Application Pack and issue of Evaluators pack</b>
Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> August 2021	Moderation of written response and notify providers of presentation day
Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> August 2021	Presentation day
w/c 23 <sup>rd</sup> August 2021	Ratification, award and issue of Contracts