**Children's Care & Support at Home and within the Community- 2nd Provider Market Engagement Event**

On behalf of Cheshire East Council, we wanted to inform you that we are planning a redesign and re-commission of a Flexible Purchasing System for our ‘Children’s Care at Home’ service offer.

The overarching aim of this service is to give children and families the support they need in order to remain safe, healthy and functioning at home; with an overarching ambition to prevent children coming in to care, supporting reunification and stabilising placements if they are at risk.

In order to do this, we are looking to create a newly developed, localised Purchasing System for ‘Children & Family Support Services’.

The Purchasing System will allow a dynamic, varied and broad range of providers to work in partnership with the Local Authority, to provide the right level of support for children and their families, through different ways.

The service will be accessible for children across all of social care teams; Children with Disabilities, Child in Need, Child Protection and Looked After Children.

A virtual workshop was held on Monday 16th May to gain feedback, thoughts and suggestions from the market, it was a very successful day with a good turnout and lots of insights and experiences were shared.

Following that event, we have received a high number of requests to hold a second face to face workshop, we feel that it is very important to give as many providers and partners as possible the opportunity to contribute to the development of our new framework and therefore we have set up a combined face to face and online event.

For those of you able to join us we have drop in face to face sessions 12:30 – 13:30 and 15:00 – 16:30. These will be taking place in Delamere 1, on the first floor of Delamere House, Crewe.

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Delamere House is opposite Crewe Bus Station and there are two short stay car parks (max 2 hours), one either side of the building. A long stay car park (Gatefield Street) is 5 minutes walk away

For those who would prefer to join us online we will have a virtual Microsoft Teams meeting 1:30 – 15:00.

Please confirm your attendance by 17:00 - 4th July via ChildrensBrokerage@cheshireeast.gov.uk advising whether you would like to attend face to face, and if so which would be your preferred session, or alternatively if you would prefer to attend virtually. A Microsoft Teams invitation will be sent to you, following your confirmation, if this is your preferred method of engaging.