**PRIOR INFORMATION NOTICE**

**This is not a call for competition and is not yet a contract opportunity.**

**\*\* PLEASE NOTE: By Expressing an Interest in this event via the portal you are not confirming your place at the event. Please follow the instructions below to reserve your place. \*\***

**Management of the Somerset Shared Lives Scheme recommission**

Somerset Council (SC) would like to invite you to join a Market Engagement Event for the recommission of the management of the Somerset Shared Lives scheme.

**Purpose of Market Engagement Event**

Shared Lives is a care and support service for people aged 16+ who want to live independently in their community, with the support of a Shared Lives Carer and community network. It’s an alternative to supported living or residential care. The contract for the management of the scheme in Somerset ends in September 2024, requiring a recommissioning exercise to appoint a provider with demonstratable experience to manage and grow the Shared Lives scheme in Somerset. This event offers the opportunity to find out more about the Shared Lives model as well as the recommissioning activity.

**Event Details:**

**Date:** Friday 26th April

**Time:** 09:00 – 10:00

**Venue**: Online Microsoft Teams Meeting

**Event Registration:** To attend this event please send a message through the Council’s e-portal [www.supplyingthesouthwest.org.uk](http://www.supplyingthesouthwest.org.uk) providing the name of your organisation, the name and job role of the person(s) wishing to attend (Max 2 per organisation) and a contact email address for each to enable us to send through the full details of the event and the venue. Please ensure that those attending from your organisation are the most appropriate to feed into the discussions. Please respond by the deadline of 12:00 noon on Thursday 25th April 2024 if you wish to attend.

If you are unable to attend the event, the presentation, notes and associated documentation will be available through the council’s e-portal [www.supplyingthesouthwest.org.uk](http://www.supplyingthesouthwest.org.uk).

Organisations that take part will not be advantaged or disadvantaged in any way in any potential future formal procurement. Commercial confidentiality will be respected. This notice does not represent a formal commitment by SC to undertake a procurement procedure and SC reserves the right to cancel or re-arrange this event at its own discretion.

Thank you.