**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. \*\***

**Launch and Careplace overview for Dynamic Purchase System (DPS) for Housing Related Support and Accommodation for 16-25 year olds in Somerset**

Somerset Council (SC) would like to invite you to join a launch Event for a Dynamic Purchasing System (DPS) relating to the provision of housing related support and accommodation for 16-25 year olds. This event will include an overview of Careplace, the online system that will be used to agree placements through the DPS.

This is an essential service that SC offers to prevent youth homelessness across Somerset and is aimed at young people aged 16 and above, with housing related support needs. They may be homeless or threatened with homelessness and have a wide range of support needs.

**Purpose of the launch event**

* For SC to share an update on the DPS Timelines
* And a demonstration of the Careplace system

**Event Details:**

**Date:** Wednesday 1st May 2024

**Time:** 11:00 – 12:00

**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. Please ensure that those attending from your organisation are the most appropriate to feed into the discussions. Please respond by the deadline of 12 noon on Friday 26th April 2024 if you wish to attend.

If you are unable to attend the event, the 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 reserves the right to cancel or re-arrange this event at its own discretion.

Thank you.