

Procurement Plan for the East Riding of Yorkshire

Procurement Summary

1. Family Services

We intend to invite bids for approximately **900** NMS for the provision of face-to-face Family advice within the procurement area (PA) of the East Riding of Yorkshire.

Many of the access points in the PA are rural in nature, which means that in a number of access points within the PA providers will be unlikely to undertake large volumes of family work or integrated services. We will therefore invite providers to bid under **Service Specification B**:

- This will allow providers to tender for either the full range of private family work and/or public law children work.
- Providers will be required to have a permanent presence in the PA and within access point(s) tendered for.
- Where providers wish to undertake private family work they must bid for and undertake a minimum of **50** Legal Help cases per year.
- Those wishing to undertake only public law children cases must commit to undertake at least **5** public law certificated cases per year.

2. Social Welfare Law Services

We do not intend to tender for Social Welfare Law (SWL) services or Housing & Family services in the East Riding of Yorkshire as part of this bid round. All contracted SWL Services in the area will be provided through East Riding Community Legal Advice Network (CLAN). Following a separate tender process in 2009, the Network will begin delivering services from March 2010 under a three-year contract, funded jointly by the LSC and East Riding of Yorkshire Council.

3. Access

There are potential access issues in the PA as it is rural in nature and transport links in many locations are poor.

We will therefore make NMS available for particular access points within the PA and use criteria that require providers to deliver services in at least one of these areas through a permanent presence.

District	NMS allocated for Family
Bridlington & Driffield	460
Beverley	120
Goole & Howdenshire	320

4. Budget

Current spend in this area is lower than that which we would expect to spend in SWL Legal Help according to the Indicative Spend Budget Model. Therefore, the total number of NMS available in this area will be increased from that which is currently being delivered to enable an increase in access to services which moves closer to that suggested by the Model.

5. Current Supply (September 08 – August 09)

Category	No of Providers	NMS opened	Certificates issued
Family (public)	6	738	67
Family (private)	8		163

		Current Family Services	
	Total providers	Providers delivering 5+Public law certs	Providers delivering family private only
Solicitor	8	5	2
NFP	0	0	0