

Table 1: New activity

Project/Contract	Description	Current Contract Expiry Date	Estimated Contract Value	Commissioning Route	Commissioning Manager	Executive approval to approve the activity required?
Residential Children’s Home Dynamic Purchasing System (DPS) (2020-2024) +2	<p>Decision requested: approval to extend the Residential Children’s Home Dynamic Purchasing System (DPS) contract for a further 2 years.</p> <p>This dynamic purchasing system enables us to commission residential children’s homes for children in our care and has been in operation for the past 4 years. There is an option to block contract multiple places from providers on the DPS framework subject to business case approval.</p>	31/03/2024	£8, 046,788.00	<p>Permitted contract extension</p> <p>If approved the DPS will operate from 1st April 2024 to 31st March 2026.</p>	Alison Stone Head of Service Strategic Commissioning	Yes
<p>16+ Leaving Care Dynamic Purchasing System (DPS)</p> <p>Led by South Gloucestershire Council</p>	<p>Decision requested: approval to participate in a sub-regional contract for 4 years, with an option to extend for a further 2 years.</p> <p>This DPS will offer accommodation and support to care leavers aged over 16 years and responds to the changes in requirements for providers of this type of provision to be registered with Ofsted.</p>	01/05/2024	£3,625,420.00	<p>Tender</p> <p>If approved the contract will operate for 4 years until 2028 when it will be reviewed to decide if the option of extension will be taken up.</p>	Helen Mannion Commissioning Service Manager	Yes
Complex Care framework	<p>Decision requested: approval to participate in a sub-regional</p>	01/05/2024	£4,000,000.	Tender	Alison Stone	Yes

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Led by Bristol City Council	<p>framework for 4 years, with an option to extend for a further 2 years.</p> <p>This framework will offer the opportunity to flexibly purchase specialist community provider packages from Care Quality Commission (CQC) registered providers of care, support and nursing. These are most frequently used for children with disabilities.</p>			If approved the contract will operate for 4 years until 2028 when it will be reviewed to decide if the option of extension will be taken up.	Head of Service Strategic Commissioning	
Independent fostering Agency Dynamic Purchasing System (DPS)- Block booking	A business case is currently being developed exploring the opportunity to block book foster carer placements which is permissible under the current contract terms. Market engagement has commenced with providers. The intention would be to ensure that there are a greater number of local foster carer homes available to North Somerset children.	01/05/2024	£100,000.00	Expression of interest within the existing framework contract and a Direct award subject to approval of business case.	Alison Stone Head of Service Strategic Commissioning	No Director’s decision
Residential Children’s Home – Dynamic Purchasing System (DPS) Block booking	A business case is currently being developed exploring the opportunity to block book residential care placements which is permissible under the current contract terms. The intention			Expression of interest within the existing framework contract and a Direct award		No Director’s decision

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	would be to secure a greater number of residential children’s homes places and at a predetermined price.			subject to approval of business case.		

Table 2: Existing or previously agreed activity

Project/Contract	Description	Current Contract Expiry Date	Estimated Contract Value	Commissioning Route	Commissioning Manager	Executive approval to approve the activity required?
A further 12-month Contract of a Guaranteed Minimum Hours Contract (11,000 hrs pa) to Network Health for the provision of community packages	This is the second year of a short-term contract award for a period of two years to Network Health, who provide community support and short breaks to children and young people with complex needs and learning disabilities living at home with their parents and carers. This service offers a consistent well managed and trained staff team, to meet the needs of some of our most vulnerable children and young people. This contract arrangement ensures we can effectively meet need, manage quality, and provides value for money.	31/03/2024	£333,000.00	Direct award procured through an expression of interest within the existing Community Care and Support framework Contract	Alison Stone Head of Service Strategic Commissioning	N/A Directors decision agreed in March 2023

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<p>Pathways to Adulthood / Pizey Avenue Scheme</p>	<p>Joint commissioned provision between Children’s Services and Adult’s Social care to provide short-term respite breaks, and support to prepare young people on their pathway to adulthood</p>	<p>31/03/2024</p>	<p>£1,249,226</p>	<p>2 year Direct Award</p>	<p>Teresa Stanley (Adults) Alison Stone (Childrens) Heads of Strategy and Commissioning</p>	<p>N/A Directors decision agreed by Adults and Children Directors Jan 31st</p>
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