

Adult Social Care Commissioning
Gloucestershire County Council
Shire Hall
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Dear Sir / Madam

New Gloucestershire ASC Provider Support & Engagement Contract

I am writing to your organisation to inform you that Gloucestershire County Council will be conducting a competitive procurement process for a new ASC Provider Support & Engagement contract in 2026.

The successful organisation will become the recognized representative body for adult social care providers in Gloucestershire as well as being responsible for hosting regular forums, engaging with the market on the council's behalf and providing business support and advice to providers.

This role is largely fulfilled by the Gloucestershire Care Providers Association (GCPA) at present. However, the public procurement regulations do not allow the council to continue with its current arrangements with the GCPA, who will be free to submit a tender along with any other interested parties.

It is intended that the new contract will begin in September 2026 so that the successful organisation can fully support with the ASC fee uplift process for the financial year 2027/28.

The procurement process will be led by myself and the tender will be published on [Supplying the South West Portal](#) and [Find a Tender](#) in due course. If your organisation is potentially interested in this opportunity, please do not hesitate to contact me at chris.gratton@gloucestershire.gov.uk.

Yours faithfully

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