## Reference: FOI-689



## **Request:**

- 1. Within your local authority, which directorate has responsibility for SEND Mediation services?
- 2. Who is your current mediation provider?
- 3. What is the contract term of that provider? (start date and end date)
- 4. What is the value of the current contract in total or per year?
- 5. How many referrals has the current provider received each year or over a specific period?
- 6. When the current contract term ends, what is your commissioning process to award the next contract, in particular where do you advertise tender opportunities?
- 7. At what point in the current contract would you advertise? For example, a month before the end of the contract, 3 months before the end of the contract etc.

## Response:

- 1. SEND Support Service and Commissioning Service.
- 2. Chapel Mediation.
- 3. Contract runs 1<sup>st</sup> April on an annual review in line with the financial year.
- 4. £1500 retainer fee plus £17 000 (up to end of March 2023).
- 5. 90 (April 2022-March 2023).
- 6. Procurement opportunities are advertised on the NEPO Portal.
- 7. To be determined