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## **TC074 - School Swimming Transport for Primary Schools**

The Borough Council of Bolton

F02: Contract notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-0314c4

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### **Section I: Contracting authority**

#### **I.1) Name and addresses**

The Borough Council of Bolton

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Bolton

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#### **Contact**

Mr Irfan Oomer

#### **Email**

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#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **NUTS code**

UKD36 - Greater Manchester North West

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<http://www.bolton.gov.uk/>

Buyer's address

<http://www.bolton.gov.uk/>

**I.3) Communication**

The procurement documents are available for unrestricted and full direct access, free of charge, at

[www.the-chest.org.uk](http://www.the-chest.org.uk)

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

[www.the-chest.org.uk](http://www.the-chest.org.uk)

**I.4) Type of the contracting authority**

Regional or local authority

**I.5) Main activity**

General public services

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## **Section II: Object**

### **II.1) Scope of the procurement**

#### **II.1.1) Title**

TC074 - School Swimming Transport for Primary Schools

Reference number

DN596751

#### **II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 60170000 - Hire of passenger transport vehicles with driver

#### **II.1.3) Type of contract**

Services

#### **II.1.4) Short description**

The Borough Council of Bolton ("the Authority") is seeking tenders from suitably qualified and experienced contractors to be included on a Framework Agreement to provide School Swimming Transport for Primary Schools within the Metropolitan Borough of Bolton. This school swimming transport service is sub-divided into a number of Journey/Route Schedule(s) to be let upon the terms and conditions set out and referred to herein each of which may be let subject to a separate contract.

The Authority coordinates primary school swimming transport lessons. The transport provided must be able to transport a minimum of 40 seated passengers. Currently all journey schedules are awarded to a single contractor.

This procurement exercise is being run as an Open Invitation to Tender (ITT) and the Authority will appoint a main and a reserve contractor on the Framework Agreement.

#### **II.1.5) Estimated total value**

Value excluding VAT: £380,000

#### **II.1.6) Information about lots**

This contract is divided into lots: No

### **II.2) Description**

### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UKD36 - Greater Manchester North West

Main site or place of performance

Metropolitan Borough of Bolton

### **II.2.4) Description of the procurement**

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### **II.2.5) Award criteria**

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 35

Quality criterion - Name: Social Value / Weighting: 20

Price - Weighting: 45

### **II.2.7) Duration of the contract, framework agreement or dynamic purchasing system**

Duration in months

48

This contract is subject to renewal

No

### **II.2.10) Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: No

#### **II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: No

#### **II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds**

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

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### **Section III. Legal, economic, financial and technical information**

#### **III.1) Conditions for participation**

##### **III.1.2) Economic and financial standing**

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

##### **III.1.3) Technical and professional ability**

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

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### **Section IV. Procedure**

#### **IV.1) Description**

##### **IV.1.1) Type of procedure**

Open procedure

##### **IV.1.3) Information about a framework agreement or a dynamic purchasing system**

The procurement involves the establishment of a framework agreement

Framework agreement with several operators

In the case of framework agreements, provide justification for any duration exceeding 4 years:

##### **IV.1.8) Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)**

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: No

## **IV.2) Administrative information**

### **IV.2.2) Time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate**

Date

11 March 2022

Local time

4:00pm

### **IV.2.4) Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted**

English

### **IV.2.6) Minimum time frame during which the tenderer must maintain the tender**

Duration in months: 48 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)

### **IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders**

Date

11 March 2022

Local time

4:00pm

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.1) Information about recurrence**

This is a recurrent procurement: No

### **VI.4) Procedures for review**

#### **VI.4.1) Review body**

The Borough Council of Bolton

Victoria Square

Bolton

BL1 1RU

Country

United Kingdom

#### **VI.4.2) Body responsible for mediation procedures**

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#### **VI.4.3) Review procedure**

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

The Authority reserves the right not to award any Framework Agreement as a result of the procurement process initiated by this notice and will not be liable for any costs incurred by candidates. Interested parties must log on The Chest by way of expression of interest. The Authority is using the e-business portal known as The Chest. Applicants will need to register their details at the following link: <https://www.the-chest.org.uk>. Once registered,

Applicants will be

emailed a username and password which will allow applicants to gain access to the ITT.

Applicants will need to electronically submit the completed tender documents and any accompanying documentation via the on-line portal by 16:00 hrs on Friday 11 March 2022. The contract period will be for 2 years with the option to extend for a further 2 years.

This is a contract notice. The standstill period of ten calendar days will be observed by the Authority and provides time for unsuccessful tenderers to challenge the award decision before the contract is entered into. Aggrieved parties who have been harmed or are at risk of harm by any breach of the Councils obligations may take action in the High Court (England, Wales and Northern Ireland).

**VI.4.4) Service from which information about the review procedure may be obtained**

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