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Planning

Provision of Short Notice Transport

Leicestershire County Council

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Scope

Reference

DN804358

Description

Private hire/taxi operators are invited to take part in a preliminary market engagement exercise to inform the establishment of a framework agreement for the provision of transport services required at short notice (e.g. same or next day). Transport required will be predominately for social care or home to school transport but the contract will cover the requirement for any type of short notice transport.

Commercial tool

Establishes a framework

Total value (estimated)

- £65,000,000 excluding VAT
- £78,000,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Contract dates (estimated)

- 1 June 2026 to 31 May 2028
- Possible extension to 31 May 2030
- 4 years

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 60112000 - Public road transport services
- 60120000 - Taxi services
- 60171000 - Hire of passenger cars with driver
- 60172000 - Hire of buses and coaches with driver

Contract locations

- UKF2 - Leicestershire, Rutland and Northamptonshire

Engagement

Engagement deadline

13 February 2026

Engagement process description

Engagement will take the form of the completion of a short questionnaire.

The questionnaire is available via the Council e-tender portal EastMidsTenders at the following link: <https://www.eastmidstenders.org/>

Please search for the opportunity using the project reference DN804358 (Provision of Transport at Short Notice).

Participation

Particular suitability

- Small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)
- Voluntary, community and social enterprises (VCSE)

Submission

Publication date of tender notice (estimated)

31 March 2026

Contracting authority

Leicestershire County Council

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PNHT-9235-VXDV

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Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government