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Contract

RES/TR/First Bus - Individual Active Travel Bus Ticket Offer – February 2024 to March 2025

Bristol City Council

F03: Contract award notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

Bristol City Council

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Bristol

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Country

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Region code

UKK11 - Bristol, City of

Internet address(es)

Main address

<https://www.bristol.gov.uk/>

Buyer's address

<https://www.bristol.gov.uk/>

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Regional or local authority

I.5) Main activity

General public services

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

RES/TR/First Bus - Individual Active Travel Bus Ticket Offer – February 2024 to March 2025

Reference number

DN710686

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 60000000 - Transport services (excl. Waste transport)

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

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2025

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.1.7) Total value of the procurement (excluding VAT)

Lowest offer: £1 / Highest offer: £480,000 taken into consideration

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKK11 - Bristol, City of

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

RES/TR/First Bus - Individual Active Travel Bus Ticket Offer – February 2024 to March 2025 - In accordance with regulation 32(2)(b)(ii) of the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 a negotiated procedure without prior publication (direct award) process was followed due to competition being absent for technical reasons. The service contract was directly awarded to First Bus Group Ltd to supply taster tickets to the public up to 31st March 2025 as part of the Bristol Clean Air Zone project.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Cost criterion - Name: Price / Weighting: 100

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

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Award of a contract without prior publication of a call for competition in the cases listed below

- The services can be provided only by a particular economic operator for the following reason:
 - absence of competition for technical reasons

Explanation:

A negotiated procedure without prior publication (direct award) was followed in accordance with regulation 32(2)(b)(ii) of the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 due to competition being absent for technical reasons. The services are essential requirements of the Council and can only be met by a proprietary solution only available from a single supplier. Bristol bus routes are predominantly controlled by First Bus Group and in order for the bus taster tickets to be widely useable it is essential for them to be valid for the largest number of bus routes possible.

Therefore the contract has been awarded to First Bus Group Ltd to supply taster tickets (m-Tickets) to the public until March 2025 as part of the Bristol Clean Air Zone project and the m-Tickets are only available from First Bus Group Ltd.

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

Section V. Award of contract

Contract No

DN710686

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

21 February 2024

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 1

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

First Bus Group Ltd

Bristol

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKK11 - Bristol, City of

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.4) Information on value of contract/lot (excluding VAT)

Lowest offer: £1 / Highest offer: £480,000 taken into consideration

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Bristol District Registry of the High Court

Greyfriars, Lewins Mead

Bristol

BS1 2NP

Country

United Kingdom