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Planning

North / South Bus Service

Southend-on-Sea City Council

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Scope

Description

Currently there are no commercial bus services with a direct link between Leigh-on-Sea Railway Station and London Southend Airport and the Airport Business Park, off Cherry Orchard Way. This new bus service will support residents within St Laurence, Eastwood Park, Belfairs, Blenheim Park, Leigh and West Leigh Wards and enable new connections across the city. Consultation for the BSIP identified many residents wanted to see a route from Eastwood and Belfairs to Leigh-on-Sea and considered that such a service could enable new connections across the city and avoid the need to travel into the city centre to change buses. This new bus service will also support local businesses along the route including industrial areas of the city, that have no, or very few, bus services linking them direct to other parts of the city. These industrial areas include Airport Business Park, Aviation Way, Britannia Business Park, Rochford Business Park and Progress Road.

Contract dates (estimated)

- 27 July 2025 to 26 July 2027
- Possible extension to 26 July 2028
- 3 years

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 60000000 - Transport services (excl. Waste transport)

Contract locations

- UKH31 - Southend-on-Sea

Engagement

Engagement deadline

1 April 2025

Engagement process description

Southend-on-Sea City Council will be holding an online Teams market engagement event for this service before the last working day in March

Participation

Particular suitability

Small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)

Submission

Publication date of tender notice (estimated)

2 April 2025

Contracting authority

Southend-on-Sea City Council

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