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Award

TVCA-PROC-0731 - Supported Bus Services

Tees Valley Combined Authority

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Scope

Reference

TVCA-PROC-0731

Description

Tees Valley Combined Authority (the 'Contracting Authority'), part of the Tees Valley Combined Authority Group are seeking to reprocure Supported Bus Services across the Tees Valley region.

Within this tender, the services below are separated into lots. Providers can bid on as few or as many lots as they deem appropriate. Each lot has a separate financial threshold.

1: Darlington Services - 16, 17 & 18

2: Darlington and Stockton Services - 6 & 6a

3: Hartlepool Services - 3 & 3A

4: Middlesbrough Service - Covering Evenings, Sundays, and daytime provision to

Cypress Road & Nunthorpe (Currently provided under Service 29)

5: Middlesbrough Service - 13 & 13B

6: Middlesbrough Service – RP1, covering Riverside Park

7: Middlesbrough Service – 35

8: Redcar & Cleveland Services - 1 & 2

9: Stockton and Hartlepool services - X40 & X41

10: Hartlepool Service

11: Darlington & Stockton Service

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Lot 1. Darlington Services - 16, 17 & 18

Description

Lot 1: Darlington Services - 16, 17 & 18.

Financial Threshold for 4 months: £110,000.

Financial Threshold for 6 months (if 2 month optional extension is utilised): £165,000.

Lot 2. Darlington and Stockton Services - 6 & 6a

Description

Lot 1: Darlington and Stockton Services - 6 & 6a .

Financial Threshold for 4 months: £239,000.

Financial Threshold for 6 months (if 2 month optional extension is utilised): £322,000.

Lot 3. Hartlepool Services - 3 & 3A

Description

Lot 3: Hartlepool Services - 3 & 3A.

Financial Threshold for 4 months: £52,000.

Financial Threshold for 6 months (if 2 month optional extension is utilised): £75,000.

Lot 4. Middlesbrough Service - Covering Evenings, Sundays, and daytime provision to Cypress Road & Nunthorpe (Currently provided under Service 29)

Description

Lot 4: Middlesbrough Service - Covering Evenings, Sundays, and daytime provision to Cypress Road & Nunthorpe (Currently provided under Service 29)

Financial Threshold for 4 months: £75,000.

Financial Threshold for 6 months (if 2 month optional extension is utilised): £110,000.

Lot 5. Middlesbrough Service - 13 & 13B

Description

Lot 5: Middlesbrough Service - 13 & 13B

Financial Threshold for 4 months: £50,000.

Financial Threshold for 6 months (if 2 month optional extension is utilised): £72,000.

Lot 6. Middlesbrough Service - RP1, covering Riverside Park

Description

Lot 6: Middlesbrough Service - RP1, covering Riverside Park.

Financial Threshold for 4 months: £80,000.

Financial Threshold for 6 months (if 2 month optional extension is utilised): £118,000.

Lot 7. Stockton Service - 35

Description

Lot 7: Stockton Service - 35.

Financial Threshold for 4 months: £60,000.

Financial Threshold for 6 months (if 2 month optional extension is utilised): £91,000.

Lot 8. Redcar & Cleveland Services - 1 & 2

Description

Lot 8: Redcar & Cleveland Services - 1 & 2.

Financial Threshold for 4 months: £165,000.

Financial Threshold for 6 months (if 2 month optional extension is utilised): £246,000.

Lot 9. Stockton and Hartlepool services - X40 & X41

Description

Lot 9: Stockton and Hartlepool services - X40 & X41.

Financial Threshold for 4 months: £155,000.

Financial Threshold for 6 months (if 2 month optional extension is utilised): £231,000.

Lot 10. Hartlepool - New Service linking Elwick and Dalton Piercy with Hartlepool Sixth Form and Hartlepool Town Centre

Description

Lot 10: Hartlepool Service.

Financial Threshold for 4 months: £75,000.

Financial Threshold for 6 months (if 2 month optional extension is utilised): £110,000.

Lot 11. Darlington & Stockton - New Service linking Stillington, Whitton, Carlton, Redmarshall, Great Stainton to North Tees Hospital, Roseworth Tesco and Stockton High Street

Description

Lot 11: Darlington & Stockton Service.

New Service linking Stillington, Whitton, Carlton, Redmarshall, Great Stainton to North Tees Hospital, Roseworth Tesco and Stockton High Street.

Financial Threshold for 4 months: £75,000.

Financial Threshold for 6 months (if 2 month optional extension is utilised): £110,000.

Contract 1. Darlington Services - 16, 17 & 18

Lots

Lot 1. Darlington Services - 16, 17 & 18

Supplier

- ARRIVA DURHAM COUNTY

Contract value

- £165,000 excluding VAT
- £198,000 including VAT

Below the relevant threshold

Award decision date

30 January 2026

Date assessment summaries were sent to tenderers

30 January 2026

Earliest date the contract will be signed

16 February 2026

Contract dates (estimated)

- 30 March 2026 to 18 July 2026
- Possible extension to 26 September 2026
- 5 months, 28 days

Description of possible extension:

There is the option to extend the contract for an additional 2 months.

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 60112000 - Public road transport services
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Contract 2. Darlington and Stockton Services - 6 & 6a

Lots

Lot 2. Darlington and Stockton Services - 6 & 6a

Supplier

- Cleveland Transit Ltd

Contract value

- £322,000 excluding VAT
- £386,400 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Award decision date

30 January 2026

Date assessment summaries were sent to tenderers

30 January 2026

Standstill period

- End: 12 February 2026
- 8 working days

Earliest date the contract will be signed

16 February 2026

Contract dates (estimated)

- 29 March 2026 to 18 July 2026
- Possible extension to 26 September 2026
- 5 months, 29 days

Description of possible extension:

There is an option to extend for an additional 2 months.

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 60112000 - Public road transport services

Contract 3. Hartlepool Services - 3 & 3A

Lots

Lot 3. Hartlepool Services - 3 & 3A

Supplier

- Cleveland Transit Ltd

Contract value

- £75,000 excluding VAT
- £90,000 including VAT

Below the relevant threshold

Award decision date

30 January 2026

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30 January 2026

Earliest date the contract will be signed

16 February 2026

Contract dates (estimated)

- 30 March 2026 to 18 July 2026
- Possible extension to 26 September 2026

- 5 months, 28 days

Description of possible extension:

There is an option to extend for 2 additional months.

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 60112000 - Public road transport services
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Contract 4. Middlesbrough Service - Covering Evenings, Sundays, and daytime provision to Cypress Road & Nunthorpe (Currently provided under Service 29)

Lots

Lot 4. Middlesbrough Service - Covering Evenings, Sundays, and daytime provision to Cypress Road & Nunthorpe (Currently provided under Service 29)

Supplier

- ARRIVA DURHAM COUNTY

Contract value

- £110,000 excluding VAT

- £132,000 including VAT

Below the relevant threshold

Award decision date

30 January 2026

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30 January 2026

Earliest date the contract will be signed

16 February 2026

Contract dates (estimated)

- 29 March 2026 to 18 July 2026
- Possible extension to 26 September 2026
- 5 months, 29 days

Description of possible extension:

There is an option to extend for 2 additional months.

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 60112000 - Public road transport services
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Contract 5. Middlesbrough Service - 13 & 13B

Lots

Lot 5. Middlesbrough Service - 13 & 13B

Supplier

- Cleveland Transit Ltd

Contract value

- £72,000 excluding VAT
- £86,400 including VAT

Below the relevant threshold

Award decision date

30 January 2026

Date assessment summaries were sent to tenderers

30 January 2026

Earliest date the contract will be signed

16 February 2026

Contract dates (estimated)

- 29 March 2026 to 18 July 2026
- Possible extension to 26 September 2026
- 5 months, 29 days

Description of possible extension:

There is an option to extend for an additional 2 months.

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 60112000 - Public road transport services
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Contract 6. Middlesbrough Service – RP1, covering Riverside Park

Lots

Lot 6. Middlesbrough Service - RP1, covering Riverside Park

Supplier

- Cleveland Transit Ltd

Contract value

- £118,000 excluding VAT
- £141,600 including VAT

Below the relevant threshold

Award decision date

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30 January 2026

Earliest date the contract will be signed

16 February 2026

Contract dates (estimated)

- 30 March 2026 to 18 July 2026
- Possible extension to 26 September 2026
- 5 months, 28 days

Description of possible extension:

There is an option to extend for an additional 2 months.

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 60112000 - Public road transport services
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Contract 7. Stockton Service – 35

Lots

Lot 7. Stockton Service - 35

Supplier

- Cleveland Transit Ltd

Contract value

- £91,000 excluding VAT
- £109,200 including VAT

Below the relevant threshold

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30 January 2026

Earliest date the contract will be signed

16 February 2026

Contract dates (estimated)

- 29 March 2026 to 18 July 2026
- Possible extension to 26 September 2026
- 5 months, 29 days

Description of possible extension:

There is an option to extend for an additional 2 months.

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 60112000 - Public road transport services
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Contract 8. Redcar & Cleveland Services - 1 & 2

Lots

Lot 8. Redcar & Cleveland Services - 1 & 2

Supplier

- Cleveland Transit Ltd

Contract value

- £246,000 excluding VAT
- £295,200 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Award decision date

30 January 2026

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30 January 2026

Standstill period

- End: 12 February 2026
- 8 working days

Earliest date the contract will be signed

16 February 2026

Contract dates (estimated)

- 30 March 2026 to 18 July 2026
- Possible extension to 26 September 2026
- 5 months, 28 days

Description of possible extension:

There is an option to extend for an additional 2 months.

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 60112000 - Public road transport services
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Contract 9. Stockton and Hartlepool services - X40 & X41

Lots

Lot 9. Stockton and Hartlepool services - X40 & X41

Supplier

- Cleveland Transit Ltd

Contract value

- £231,000 excluding VAT
- £277,200 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Award decision date

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30 January 2026

Standstill period

- End: 12 February 2026
- 8 working days

Earliest date the contract will be signed

16 February 2026

Contract dates (estimated)

- 30 March 2026 to 18 July 2026
- Possible extension to 26 September 2026
- 5 months, 28 days

Description of possible extension:

There is an option to extend for an additional 2 months.

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 60112000 - Public road transport services
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Contract 10. Hartlepool – New Service linking Elwick and Dalton Piercy with Hartlepool Sixth Form and Hartlepool Town Centre

Lots

Lot 10. Hartlepool - New Service linking Elwick and Dalton Piercy with Hartlepool Sixth Form and Hartlepool Town Centre

Supplier

- Cleveland Transit Ltd

Contract value

- £110,000 excluding VAT
- £132,000 including VAT

Below the relevant threshold

Award decision date

30 January 2026

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30 January 2026

Earliest date the contract will be signed

16 February 2026

Contract dates (estimated)

- 30 March 2026 to 18 July 2026
- Possible extension to 18 September 2026
- 5 months, 20 days

Description of possible extension:

There is the option to extend the contract for an additional 2 months.

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 60112000 - Public road transport services

Contract 11. Darlington & Stockton – New Service linking Stillington, Whitton, Carlton, Redmarshall, Great Stainton to North Tees Hospital, Roseworth Tesco and Stockton High Street

Lots

Lot 11. Darlington & Stockton - New Service linking Stillington, Whitton, Carlton, Redmarshall, Great Stainton to North Tees Hospital, Roseworth Tesco and Stockton High Street

Supplier

- Cleveland Transit Ltd

Contract value

- £110,000 excluding VAT
- £132,000 including VAT

Below the relevant threshold

Award decision date

30 January 2026

Date assessment summaries were sent to tenderers

30 January 2026

Earliest date the contract will be signed

16 February 2026

Contract dates (estimated)

- 30 March 2026 to 18 July 2026
- Possible extension to 18 September 2026
- 5 months, 20 days

Description of possible extension:

There is the option to extend the contract for an additional 2 months.

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 60112000 - Public road transport services

Information about tenders

Lot 1. Darlington Services - 16, 17 & 18

- 1 tender received
- 1 tender assessed in the final stage:

- 0 submitted by small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)
 - 0 submitted by voluntary, community and social enterprises (VCSE)
 - 1 supplier awarded contracts
 - 0 suppliers unsuccessful (details included for contracts over £5 million)
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Lot 2. Darlington and Stockton Services - 6 & 6a

- 1 tender received
 - 1 tender assessed in the final stage:
 - 0 submitted by small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)
 - 0 submitted by voluntary, community and social enterprises (VCSE)
 - 1 supplier awarded contracts
 - 0 suppliers unsuccessful (details included for contracts over £5 million)
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Lot 3. Hartlepool Services - 3 & 3A

- 1 tender received
 - 1 tender assessed in the final stage:
 - 0 submitted by small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)
 - 0 submitted by voluntary, community and social enterprises (VCSE)
 - 1 supplier awarded contracts
 - 0 suppliers unsuccessful (details included for contracts over £5 million)
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Lot 4. Middlesbrough Service - Covering Evenings, Sundays, and daytime provision to Cypress Road & Nunthorpe (Currently provided under Service 29)

- 2 tenders received
 - 2 tenders assessed in the final stage:
 - 0 submitted by small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)
 - 0 submitted by voluntary, community and social enterprises (VCSE)
 - 1 supplier awarded contracts
 - 1 supplier unsuccessful (details included for contracts over £5 million)
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Lot 5. Middlesbrough Service - 13 & 13B

- 1 tender received
 - 1 tender assessed in the final stage:
 - 0 submitted by small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)
 - 0 submitted by voluntary, community and social enterprises (VCSE)
 - 1 supplier awarded contracts
 - 0 suppliers unsuccessful (details included for contracts over £5 million)
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Lot 6. Middlesbrough Service - RP1, covering Riverside Park

- 1 tender received
 - 1 tender assessed in the final stage:
 - 0 submitted by small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)
 - 0 submitted by voluntary, community and social enterprises (VCSE)
 - 1 supplier awarded contracts
 - 0 suppliers unsuccessful (details included for contracts over £5 million)
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Lot 7. Stockton Service - 35

- 1 tender received
 - 1 tender assessed in the final stage:
 - 0 submitted by small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)
 - 0 submitted by voluntary, community and social enterprises (VCSE)
 - 1 supplier awarded contracts
 - 0 suppliers unsuccessful (details included for contracts over £5 million)
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Lot 8. Redcar & Cleveland Services - 1 & 2

- 1 tender received
 - 1 tender assessed in the final stage:
 - 0 submitted by small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)
 - 0 submitted by voluntary, community and social enterprises (VCSE)
 - 1 supplier awarded contracts
 - 0 suppliers unsuccessful (details included for contracts over £5 million)
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Lot 9. Stockton and Hartlepool services - X40 & X41

- 1 tender received
 - 1 tender assessed in the final stage:
 - 0 submitted by small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)
 - 0 submitted by voluntary, community and social enterprises (VCSE)
 - 1 supplier awarded contracts
 - 0 suppliers unsuccessful (details included for contracts over £5 million)
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Lot 10. Hartlepool - New Service linking Elwick and Dalton Piercy with Hartlepool Sixth Form and Hartlepool Town Centre

- 1 tender received
 - 1 tender assessed in the final stage:
 - 0 submitted by small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)
 - 0 submitted by voluntary, community and social enterprises (VCSE)
 - 1 supplier awarded contracts
 - 0 suppliers unsuccessful (details included for contracts over £5 million)
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Lot 11. Darlington & Stockton - New Service linking Stillington, Whitton, Carlton, Redmarshall, Great Stainton to North Tees Hospital, Roseworth Tesco and Stockton High Street

- 1 tender received
 - 1 tender assessed in the final stage:
 - 0 submitted by small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)
 - 0 submitted by voluntary, community and social enterprises (VCSE)
 - 1 supplier awarded contracts
 - 0 suppliers unsuccessful (details included for contracts over £5 million)
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Procedure

Procedure type

Open procedure

Suppliers

ARRIVA DURHAM COUNTY

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Region: UKC23 - Sunderland

Small or medium-sized enterprise (SME): No

Voluntary, community or social enterprise (VCSE): No

Contract 1. Darlington Services - 16, 17 & 18

Contract 4. Middlesbrough Service - Covering Evenings, Sundays, and daytime provision to Cypress Road & Nunthorpe (Currently provided under Service 29)

Cleveland Transit Ltd

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PPHT-3734-NQVH

Cleveland Transit Limited, One Stockport Exchange, 20 Railway Road

Stockport

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United Kingdom

Contact name: Steve Walker

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Region: UKD35 - Greater Manchester South East

Small or medium-sized enterprise (SME): No

Voluntary, community or social enterprise (VCSE): No

Supported employment provider: No

Public service mutual: No

Contract 2. Darlington and Stockton Services - 6 & 6a

Contract 3. Hartlepool Services - 3 & 3A

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Contracting authority

Tees Valley Combined Authority

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PDNG-8971-ZVCR

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Region: UKC13 - Darlington

Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government