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Planning

Bus Reform Market Engagement

West Yorkshire Combined Authority

F01: Prior information notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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<https://yortender.eu-supply.com/ctm/Company/CompanyInformation/Index/103257>

I.3) Communication

Access to the procurement documents is restricted. Further information can be obtained at

<https://www.westyorks-ca.gov.uk/about-us/procurement-at-the-combined-authority/>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

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

Bus Reform Market Engagement

Reference number

73394

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 60000000 - Transport services (excl. Waste transport)

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Following her election in May 2021, Mayor Tracy Brabin pledged to 'bring buses back under public control, introduce simpler fares contactless ticketing and greener buses'. Therefore, in line with exploring different models for delivery (including franchising and enhanced partnership) in June 2021, the Combined Authority issued a Notice of Intent to conduct an assessment of a franchising scheme.

The Combined Authority currently works in collaboration with existing commercial bus operators in West Yorkshire, via the West Yorkshire Bus Alliance, to oversee the delivery of improvements to the region's bus network. As of April 2022 the Alliance has functioned as an Enhanced Partnership.

The Combined Authority would like to engage with organisations from both inside and outside of our region and further afield to discuss the potential of bus reform and the opportunity of redefining the West Yorkshire bus market for the first time in a generation.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £150,000,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 34121000 - Buses and coaches

- 34121100 - Public-service buses
- 50113000 - Repair and maintenance services of buses
- 60000000 - Transport services (excl. Waste transport)
- 60100000 - Road transport services
- 60112000 - Public road transport services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKE4 - West Yorkshire

Main site or place of performance

Is1 2de

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

We would like to discuss this opportunity with bus operators who operate within West Yorkshire and outside of West Yorkshire currently. We would also like to speak to organisations who are potentially considering entering the market.

In particular we would like to discuss and gain the view of potential suppliers/operators on an Enhanced Partnership plus model, taking our existing EP to the next stage or a franchising model. This is all in the context of what would ultimately work best for the residents of West Yorkshire.

II.2.14) Additional information

Please contact the Commercial Team at the West Yorkshire Combined Authority via our email address: CommercialTeam@westyorks-ca.gov.uk and a member of the team will be in touch regarding a potential discussion.

II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

1 June 2026

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes