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## **Directly awarded Fflecsi bus services in Blaenau Gwent**

Welsh Government

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### **Section I: Contracting authority**

#### **I.1) Name and addresses**

Welsh Government

Corporate Procurement Services, Cathays Park

Cardiff

CF10 3NQ

#### **Email**

[cpsprocurementadvice@gov.wales](mailto:cpsprocurementadvice@gov.wales)

#### **Telephone**

+44 3000257095

#### **Country**

United Kingdom

## **NUTS code**

UKL - Wales

## **Internet address(es)**

Main address

<http://gov.wales>

Buyer's address

[https://www.sell2wales.gov.wales/search/Search\\_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA0007](https://www.sell2wales.gov.wales/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA0007)

## **I.3) Communication**

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

## **I.4) Type of the contracting authority**

Ministry or any other national or federal authority

## **I.5) Main activity**

Other activity

Transport

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## **Section II: Object**

### **II.1) Scope of the procurement**

#### **II.1.1) Title**

Directly awarded Fflecsi bus services in Blaenau Gwent

#### **II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 60000000 - Transport services (excl. Waste transport)

#### **II.1.3) Type of contract**

Services

#### **II.1.4) Short description**

Bus service contract to implement a demand responsive bus transport scheme (“Fflecsi Services”) in Blaenau Gwent, Wales where conventional local bus services have been reduced and traditional demand patterns have been disrupted as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic.

The intention is to launch a Fflecsi Services pilot scheme to better determine the role of Fflecsi and its ability to operate efficiently in densely populated environments where an increased number of users are expected to make use of the services. The Fflecsi Services will also aim to better connect the Ebbw Fach and Ebbw Vale areas with existing bus and train routes so as to facilitate direct access to larger employment areas for patrons who do not live within close proximity to existing fixed service transport. A direct award of a bus service contract is now envisaged to facilitate the successful integration of the Fflecsi Services pilot in Blaenau Gwent.

#### **II.1.5) Estimated total value**

Value excluding VAT: £241,000

#### **II.1.6) Information about lots**

This contract is divided into lots: No

### **II.2) Description**

### **II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 60100000 - Road transport services
- 60112000 - Public road transport services

### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UKL16 - Gwent Valleys

Main site or place of performance

Blaenau Gwent

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### **II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice**

5 July 2021

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## **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

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.3) Additional information**

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