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Future opportunity

Demand Responsive Transport (DRT) Service

Leicestershire County Council

F01: Prior information notice

Prior information only

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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Internet address(es)

Main address

https://www.eastmidstenders.org/index.html

Buyer's address

https://www.eastmidstenders.org/index.html

I.3) Communication

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

Demand Responsive Transport (DRT) Service

Reference number

DN548857

II.1.2) Main CPV code

• 60112000 - Public road transport services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Leicestershire County Council (The Council) is seeking to deliver a new demand responsive transport (DRT) service to operate within an 85km2 area to the south west of Leicester through to Hinckley. The area is generally bounded by the M69 motorway to the west and the M1 to the east. In total, residents of 16 communities will be able to access the service.

The contract period will be a minimum of three years, with the transport service commencing early in 2022. The service will be procured through two separate lots - one covering the service operation and the other technological provision.

Following publication of the Contract Notice, the documents will be available via https://www.eastmidstenders.org/index.html

Please note that the date given at II.3. Estimated date of publication of contract notice is for indicative purposes only. The Council is currently working on the tender documents and the advert is anticipated late July/ early August 2021.

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

DRT Transport Operator

Lot No

1

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

60000000 - Transport services (excl. Waste transport)

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

• UKF2 - Leicestershire, Rutland and Northamptonshire

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The transport operator will be responsible for delivering the service between 06:00 and 19:30 Monday to Saturday. They will be required to provide three fully accessible, Euro VI-compliant vehicles with a passenger capacity of 13 seats plus one wheelchair space and the ability to provide spare vehicles when any of the dedicated vehicles are unavailable.

II.2.7) Duration of the contract, framework agreement or dynamic purchasing system

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

The contract term will be 3 years with two optional extensions of up to one year each (3+1+1).

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

DRT Technology Provider

Lot No

2

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 63712000 Support services for road transport
- 72000000 IT services: consulting, software development, Internet and support

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

• UKF2 - Leicestershire, Rutland and Northamptonshire

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The technology provider will be required to provide:

- 1. a web platform and mobile app for the service, which offer three core elements:
- a. a route planning and despatch operating system
- b. a rider app for passengers using the service
- c. a driver app and/or interface
- 2. a call centre facility for managing and processing telephone bookings (either operated by the technology provider or subcontracted)

II.2.7) Duration of the contract, framework agreement or dynamic purchasing system

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

The contract term will be 3 years with two optional extensions of up to one year each (3+1+1).

II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

30 July 2021

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