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## **Provision of Bus Services**

Cumberland Council

F02: Contract notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-045565

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

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

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#### **Contact**

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[procurement.capital@cumberland.gov.uk](mailto:procurement.capital@cumberland.gov.uk)

#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **Region code**

UKD1 - Cumbria

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://www.cumberland.gov.uk/>

Buyer's address

<https://www.cumberland.gov.uk/>

**I.3) Communication**

The procurement documents are available for unrestricted and full direct access, free of charge, at

<https://www.the-chest.org.uk>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

<https://www.the-chest.org.uk>

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

Regional or local authority

**I.5) Main activity**

General public services

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## **Section II: Object**

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

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

Provision of Bus Services

Reference number

DN721188

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

- 60000000 - Transport services (excl. Waste transport)

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

Services

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

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tenders will take the following into account:-

- o The service will need to be registered with the Traffic Commissioner
- o Fares will be collected on the bus and ENCTS passes accepted for free travel, so ticket machines will need to be fitted to the bus. The Council can supply these for a small maintenance cost
- o Low Floor vehicles will be required for any vehicle over 22 seats
- o For cash fares a maximum £2 Single fare will apply until 31 December 2024. No additional payment will be made for doing this
- o All other relevant legislation will need to be complied to.

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

Value excluding VAT: £2,500,000

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

This contract is divided into lots: No

## **II.2) Description**

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

NUTS codes

- UKD1 - Cumbria

### **II.2.4) Description of the procurement**

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Route number Route

60 Silloth – Maryport

217 Frizington – Cockermouth

218 Frizington – Workington

101 Rockcliffe – Carlisle

300 Workington – Carlisle

66 Durdar – Blackwell - Carlisle

75 Wetheral – Carlisle – Dalston

57 Maryport – Dearham – Broughton Moor - Workington

30 Egremont / Frizington – Maryport

M1 Millom town service including Haverigg

400 Silloth – Carlisle

22 Cleator Moor – Cleator – Whitehaven Hospital

6 Muncaster- Seascale – Whitehaven

The Council proposes to enter into the Contract(s) for a maximum period of 2 years with the successful Tenderer(s). This is based on initial 1 year plus 1 year optional extension.

#### **II.2.5) Award criteria**

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 20

Quality criterion - Name: Social Value / Weighting: 10

Price - Weighting: 70

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

Duration in months

24

This contract is subject to renewal

No

#### **II.2.10) Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: No

#### **II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: No

### **II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds**

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

### **II.2.14) Additional information**

Suppliers wishing to express an interest and obtain access to the tender documents should go to [www.the-chest.org.uk](http://www.the-chest.org.uk) and click on current opportunities from the navigation area on the left of the screen. On the next screen enter the contract Reference (DN721188) in the box labelled 'contains' then click search. Click on the Blue link for the contract title to view the opportunity.

To express an interest you will need to login. If you are not already registered on the [www.the-chest.org.uk](http://www.the-chest.org.uk) you will need to return to the home page and click on Register. Register free link in the navigation area on the left of the screen. Registration is free of charge and your username and password will be emailed to you.

Cumberland Council is fully supportive of all aspects of diversity including ethnicity, race, religion, age, disability and sexual orientation. In this respect Cumberland Council welcomes expressions of interest from ethnic minority, disabled and other diverse business communities and the voluntary sector. Economic operators are therefore required to fully comply with all statutory obligations/applicable legislation and there will be a requirement to participate in the authority's supplier audits on all aspects of diversity.

The contracting authority expressly reserves the right:

(i) not to award any contract as a result of the procurement process commenced by publication of this notice; and

(ii) to make whatever changes it may see fit to the content and structure of the tendering competition; and in no circumstances will the contracting authority be liable for any costs incurred by the candidates. Any expenditure, work or effort undertaken prior to contract award is accordingly a matter solely for the commercial judgement of potential suppliers.

The contracting authority reserve the right to use any electronic portal during the life of the agreement.

The value provided in Section II.1.5 is only an estimate.

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## **Section III. Legal, economic, financial and technical information**

### **III.1) Conditions for participation**

#### **III.1.3) Technical and professional ability**

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

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## **Section IV. Procedure**

### **IV.1) Description**

#### **IV.1.1) Type of procedure**

Open procedure

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

### **IV.2) Administrative information**

#### **IV.2.2) Time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate**

Date

28 May 2024

Local time

12:00pm

#### **IV.2.4) Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted**

English

#### **IV.2.6) Minimum time frame during which the tenderer must maintain the tender**

Duration in months: 6 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)

#### **IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders**

Date

28 May 2024

Local time

12:00pm



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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.1) Information about recurrence**

This is a recurrent procurement: No

### **VI.4) Procedures for review**

#### **VI.4.1) Review body**

High Court of England

London

Country

United Kingdom