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Award

Home to School Transport- Mainstream (East Lothian Council)

East Lothian Council

F15: Voluntary ex ante transparency notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-0457ac

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Section I: Contracting authority/entity

I.1) Name and addresses

East Lothian Council

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Haddington, East Lothian

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Email

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Telephone

+44 1620827827

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

UKM73 - East Lothian and Midlothian

Internet address(es)

Main address

<http://www.eastlothian.gov.uk>

Buyer's address

https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA00181

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

Home to School Transport- Mainstream (East Lothian Council)

Reference number

ELC-18-1889

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 60130000 - Special-purpose road passenger-transport services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

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Lothian Council intends to award call-off contracts under the ELC-18-1889 Home to School- Mainstream framework, these shall continue after the expiry of the said framework, to 31 July 2026.

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.1.7) Total value of the procurement (excluding VAT)

Value excluding VAT: £4,500,000

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 60130000 - Special-purpose road passenger-transport services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKM73 - East Lothian and Midlothian

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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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

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Award of a contract without prior publication of a call for competition in the cases listed below

- The procurement falls outside the scope of application of the regulations

Explanation:

East Lothian Council organises school bus services in line with section 51 of The Education (Scotland) Act 1980 and the East Lothian Council Education Transport policy.

The Provision of Home to School Transport for Mainstream Pupils (ELC reference ELC-18-1888) Framework will expire on 31 July 2024. The Council has awarded call-off contracts under the said Framework, these shall continue after the expiry of the said framework, to 31 July 2026. The Directive 2014/24/EU (upon which the Public Procurement (Scotland) Regulations 2016 are based) allows for call-off contracts to continue beyond the expiry of a framework.

Furthermore, the Council is currently in the process of working towards the creation of a new provision of home to school transport Framework. In doing so, the Council deems it necessary to conduct a strategic consultation to assess the Education Transport policy, aligning it with the council's climate change strategy and commitments to achieve net zero. Consideration will also be given to the local development plan and the subsequent growth agenda within East Lothian.

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

Section V. Award of contract/concession

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract/concession

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

3 May 2024

V.2.2) Information about tenders

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor/concessionaire

AC Taxis

44, Redwing brae

Ladywell

Eh546UH

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKM78 - West Lothian

The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor/concessionaire

Eve Coaches Ltd

Spott Road

Dunbar

EH42 1RS

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKM73 - East Lothian and Midlothian

The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor/concessionaire

Prentice Coaches Ltd

Station Garage, Hospital Road

Haddington

EH41 3BH

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKM73 - East Lothian and Midlothian

The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor/concessionaire

Alba Taxis

Unit 5 , Whin Park Industrial Estate

Cockenzie

EH32 9SF

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKM73 - East Lothian and Midlothian

The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor/concessionaire

Torrance Taxis

26 Warrender Crescent

Dunbar

EH42 1LU

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKM73 - East Lothian and Midlothian

The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

Yes

V.2.4) Information on value of contract/lot/concession (excluding VAT)

Total value of the contract/lot/concession: £4,500,000

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

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https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/Search/Search_Switch.aspx?ID=765969.

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VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Edinburgh Sheriff Court & Justice of the Peace Court

Edinburgh

Country

United Kingdom