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Tender

Demand Responsive Transport

Cheshire west and Chester Borough Council

F02: Contract notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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I.3) Communication

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

<https://procontract.due-north.com/Advert/Index?advertId=3e866d7b-37dc-ec11-8114-005056b64545>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

<https://procontract.due-north.com/Advert/Index?advertId=3e866d7b-37dc-ec11-8114-005056b64545>

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

Reference number

DN614451

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 60000000 - Transport services (excl. Waste transport)

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Cheshire West & Chester Council (CW&C) has made a successful bid to the Rural Mobility Fund to launch a new Demand Responsive Transport (DRT) public bus service serving the rural area surrounding Frodsham & Helsby, as shown in Annex A. A large part of the area is not currently provided with bus services – this will be an additional service, which will complement existing services. This pilot DRT service will test how a flexible service, primarily booked through an App, can provide an option that will meet the travel needs of many people whom the current bus network does not serve. Attractive service branding and proactive marketing will seek to attract new users who are currently lacking affordable transport (particularly younger people).

Whilst the service will introduce new resources into the area (three new accessible vehicles) it will also seek to follow 'Total Transport' principles and make better use of existing vehicles through integration with the local Community Transport projects and potentially the Council's in-house fleet, to enhance the service offer. The service will be fully accessible, enabling easy access for passengers with mobility or sensory impairments.

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKD6 - Cheshire

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

A pilot bus service for 3 years including call centre. The full specification is available in the tender documents on the Chest, www.the-chest.org.uk. The core service is Monday - Friday, but prices are also requested for Saturdays and Sundays. These days may be awarded via call off if affordable within the contract budget envelope (see full details in the specification).

II.2.5) Award criteria

Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

II.2.6) Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: £900,000

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

Duration in months

36

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

All documents are available - www.the-chest.org.uk

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 June 2022

Local time

10:00am

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

English

IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders

Date

28 June 2022

Local time

10:05am

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

Royal Courts of Justice

London

Country

United Kingdom