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**Planning** 

### **SMB COACH ROUTES**

The SMB Group

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#### Scope

## **Description**

Transport services ie: Coaches plus drivers to cover the student daily commute programme for the academic year 2025-26. (approx 176 days) Routes scheduled in ITT documentation destination Brooksby Melton College.

Ref: SMB004 up to 49 seater - Market Harborough

Ref: SMB005 up to 70 seater - Lutterworth

Ref: SMB007 up to 70 seater - Church Gresley/Moira

Ref: SMB008 up to 70 seater - Hinckley

Ref: SMB009 up to 70 seater - East Leake/Loughborough

Ref: SMB010 up to 50 seater - Ashby/Stephenson Campus

#### **Total value (estimated)**

- £592,000 excluding VAT
- £740,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

#### **Contract dates (estimated)**

- 1 September 2025 to 30 August 2026
- 11 months, 30 days

## Main procurement category

Services

#### **CPV** classifications

• 60100000 - Road transport services

#### **Contract locations**

- UKC North East (England)
- UKD North West (England)
- UKE Yorkshire and the Humber
- UKF East Midlands (England)
- UKG West Midlands (England)
- UKH East of England
- UKI London

- UKJ South East (England)
- UKK South West (England)

### **Engagement**

#### **Engagement deadline**

16 April 2025

#### **Engagement process description**

Telephone communication followed by email to coach companies previously engaged by Leicestershire county council. 11.04.25

All routes are provided with transparency with a view for equal opportunity for all. Timetables will be made available within the ITT. The SMB Group have selected a short term contract to align with The SMB Groups potential changes in entity. Note: requirements are also subject to change based on student number enrolment, which will be made transparent within the tender.

# **Participation**

# Particular suitability

- Small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)
- Voluntary, community and social enterprises (VCSE)

### **Submission**

### Publication date of tender notice (estimated)

16 April 2025

# **Contracting authority**

## The SMB Group

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