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Contract

## **Demand Responsive Transport (DRT) Service for an operator**

Leicestershire County Council

F03: Contract award notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-02d3c7

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

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

Leicestershire County Council

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#### **Country**

United Kingdom

**NUTS code**

UKF - East Midlands (England)

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

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

Buyer's address

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

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

Regional or local authority

**I.5) Main activity**

Other activity

Transport services

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## **Section II: Object**

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

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

Demand Responsive Transport (DRT) Service for an operator

Reference number

DN620202

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

- 60100000 - Road transport services

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

Services

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

Leicestershire County Council (the Authority) requires a transport Operator to operate a new demand responsive transport (DRT) service. The service will be funded by the Government's Rural Mobility Fund, which aims to trial on-demand bus services in rural or suburban areas. The objectives of the DRT service, as set out by the Department for Transport (DfT) are to:

- Improve access to employment, education, healthcare and other services
- Enable greater social inclusion and reduce isolation
- Provide a public transport offer that attracts a diverse customer base
- Support the Government's commitments to tackling air pollution and reducing carbon emissions by reducing reliance on private vehicles

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

This contract is divided into lots: No

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

Lowest offer: £800,000 / Highest offer: £900,000 taken into consideration

## **II.2) Description**

### **II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 60100000 - Road transport services

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

NUTS codes

- UKF - East Midlands (England)

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

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

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 0

Price - Weighting: 100

### **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

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## **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

- No tenders or no suitable tenders/requests to participate in response to open procedure

Explanation:

An open FTS tender was conducted with ref DN548857 for both an operator (Lot 1) and a technology provider (Lot 2). Lot 2 was successfully awarded.

No suitable tenders were received in response to Lot 1. The Authority was unable to proceed with the award due to the fact that submitted bids didn't meet the Selection Criteria or the Price exceeded the Authority's budget. Therefore, the Authority is satisfied that circumstances described under Reg. 32(2)(a) apply.

#### **IV.1.6) Information about electronic auction**

An electronic auction will be used

#### **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.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure**

Notice number: [2021/S 000-019544](#)

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## **Section V. Award of contract**

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

### **V.2) Award of contract**

#### **V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract**

23 June 2022

**V.2.2) Information about tenders**

Number of tenders received: 1

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 1

Number of tenders received from tenderers from other EU Member States: 0

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 0

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 1

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: No

**V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor**

Woods Coaches Ltd

The Kings Ferry Limited, The Travel Centre, Eastcourt Lane

Gillingham

ME8 6HQ

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKF - East Midlands (England)

National registration number

00968555

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Lowest offer: £1,090,783.08 / Highest offer: £1,817,971.80 taken into consideration

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

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

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

High Court of Justice

The Strand

London

WC2A 2LL

Country

United Kingdom