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## **Cheshire East Borough Council - DPS For The Provision of Passenger Transport**

Cheshire East Borough Council

F02: Contract notice

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

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

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United Kingdom

**Region code**

UKD62 - Cheshire East

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

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

Buyer's address

<http://www.cheshireeast.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**

Cheshire East Borough Council - DPS For The Provision of Passenger Transport

Reference number

DN593947

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

- 60100000 - Road transport services

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

Services

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

Submissions are invited from operators who wish to be included in the Dynamic Purchasing System (DPS) for the provision of passenger transport, which will be divided into the following LOTS:

Lot 1 – Cheshire East Council Home to School Passenger Transport Provision - Mainstream Special Education Needs & Disabilities (SEND) and College

Lot 2 – Cheshire East Council Supported Local Bus Service Provision

The initial period of this DPS will be 8 years with further options to extend of 4 x 12 month periods. New applicants can apply to join the DPS during the course of the contract duration. The date at section IV.2.2) Time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate, is stated as Noon on the 14th August 2023, please note that this is the first closure date of the DPS, and the DPS will run continuously until the end of the term and applications to join can be made at any time.

When completing online evaluations suppliers MUST complete Part 1 and 2 of the Standard Selection Questionnaire (SQ) -2023 and then one or both of Part 3 depending on which LOT(s) are being applied for – these will be SQ Part 3 - Lot 1 - Home to School Passenger Transport and SQ Part 3 - Lot 2 - Local Bus Service.

Cheshire East Council are hosting supplier events (Home to School Transport DPS and Local Bus Service DPS). Details of the events are shown below. You should register your

intention to attend on Eventbrite (via the links below) for your preferred event.

#### Home to School Transport Events

- Tue 11th July 2023 at 10:30am at Freemasons Hall, The Commons, Sandbach CW11 1FJ (<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/home-to-school-transport-dps-tickets-665274362527>)
- Wed 12th July 2023 at 10:30am at Nantwich Town FC, Waterlode, Nantwich CW5 5BS (<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/home-to-school-transport-dps-tickets-665361623527>)
- Thu 13th July 2023 at 10:30am at Macclesfield Town Hall, Market place, Macclesfield SK10 1EA (<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/home-to-school-transport-dps-tickets-665373398747>)

#### Local Bus Event

- Wed 19th July 2023 at 10:30am at Freemasons Hall, The Commons, Sandbach CW11 1FJ (<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/local-bus-service-dps-tickets-665322907727>)

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

Value excluding VAT: £350,000,000

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

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

Tenders may be submitted for all lots

### **II.2) Description**

#### **II.2.1) Title**

Lot 1 – Cheshire East Council Home to School Passenger Transport Provision - Mainstream Special Education Needs & Disabilities (SEND) and College

Lot No

1

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

- 60112000 - Public road transport services
- 60130000 - Special-purpose road passenger-transport services

- 60140000 - Non-scheduled passenger transport
- 60170000 - Hire of passenger transport vehicles with driver

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

NUTS codes

- UKD62 - Cheshire East

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

Lot 1 – Cheshire East Council Home to School Passenger Transport Provision - Mainstream Special Education Needs & Disabilities (SEND) and College

This Lot is for any Passenger Transport Operators who wish to tender for Home to School Transport Contracts with a vehicle capacity ranging between 4 to 90 seats including wheelchair accessible vehicles.

### **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: £300,000,000

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

Duration in months

96

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: Yes

Description of options

4 x 12 Month Optional Extensions are available.

### **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) Description**

### **II.2.1) Title**

Lot 2 – Cheshire East Council Supported Local Bus Service Provision

Lot No

2

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

- 60112000 - Public road transport services

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

NUTS codes

- UKD62 - Cheshire East

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

Lot 2 – Cheshire East Council Supported Local Bus Service Provision

This Lot is for any Passenger Transport Operators who wish to tender for Local Bus Service Contracts operating primarily within the Cheshire East area.

### **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: £50,000,000

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

Duration in months

96

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: Yes

Description of options

4 x 12 Month Optional Extensions are available.

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

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

##### **III.1.2) Economic and financial standing**

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

##### **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**

Restricted procedure

#### **IV.1.3) Information about a framework agreement or a dynamic purchasing system**

The procurement involves the setting up of a dynamic purchasing system

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

An electronic auction will be used

Additional information about electronic auction

The Council will conduct e-Auctions through the DPS. Full details about how the e-Auctions work and how to bid through an e-Auction will be provided prior to an e-Auction event as part of the e-Auction Call-off documents. E-Auctions will only be used for call-off contracts in Lot 1.

#### **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

14 August 2023

Local time

12:00pm

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

English



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## Section VI. Complementary information

### VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: Yes

### VI.3) Additional information

This procurement exercise will be conducted on Cheshire East Borough Council's electronic Contract and Tender Management System at the [www.the-chest.org.uk](http://www.the-chest.org.uk). Organisations wishing to be considered for this contract must register their expression of interest and provide additional required information through the Contract and Tender Management System. If you have any technical problems with The Contract and Tender Management System please contact the help-desk on: Email: [servicedesk@proactisservicedesk.com](mailto:servicedesk@proactisservicedesk.com) telephone +441937 545945. In order to participate, providers must register, complete and upload completed documentation and submit this via the Chest at the link provided in this notice. The project reference on The Chest is DN593947. The values given in this notice are only estimations and take into account the extension option — the Council gives no guarantee or warranty or makes any representation as to the accuracy of any indicative volumes.

### VI.4) Procedures for review

#### VI.4.1) Review body

Royal Courts of Justice

London

WC2A 2LL

Country

United Kingdom