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## **School Transport Bus Passes**

Torbay Council

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### **Section I: Contracting authority/entity**

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

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United Kingdom

**Region code**

UKK42 - Torbay

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

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

Buyer's address

<http://www.torbay.gov.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**

School Transport Bus Passes

Reference number

DN627830

**II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 60112000 - Public road transport services

**II.1.3) Type of contract**

Services

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

The Children's Services Transport Team is responsible for providing a home-to-school transport service for Pupils and Students who live in Torbay who are aged between 4 and 19 and who are entitled to help to get to school or college. The Authority currently has a contract for the provision of bus passes which enables them to travel on the existing transport network when using their services. The home-to-school bus transport provision will be across the whole of Torbay and specific to Brixham College to cover:

- travel on all term days
- unlimited travel options
- frequent timetables (to allow for arriving at the start of the school day and to allow for after-school clubs)
- acceptable journey lengths as recommended by the Department for Education
- accessible pickup and drop-off points close to home and school (within 1 mile).

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

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

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

Value excluding VAT: £372,800

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

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

School Transport and Bus Passes Torbay

Lot No

1

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

- 60112000 - Public road transport services

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

NUTS codes

- UKK42 - Torbay

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

To provide school-to-home transport and bus passes which will cover the whole of Torbay and provide for:

- travel on all term days
- unlimited travel options
- frequent timetables (to allow for arriving at the start of the school day and to allow for after-school clubs)
- acceptable journey lengths as recommended by the Department for Education
- accessible pickup and drop-off points close to home and school (within 1 mile).

#### **II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: Yes

Description of options

The Contract will be in place for 12 months with the option to extend for a further 24 months on a 12 + 12-month basis.

#### **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**

School Transport and Bus Passes Brixham College

Lot No

2

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

- 60112000 - Public road transport services

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

NUTS codes

- UKK42 - Torbay

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

To provide school-to-home transport and bus passes specifically for Brixham College and provide for:

- travel on all term days
- unlimited travel options
- frequent timetables (to allow for arriving at the start of the school day and to allow for after-school clubs)
- acceptable journey lengths as recommended by the Department for Education
- accessible pickup and drop-off points close to home and school (within 1 mile).

### **II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: Yes

Description of options

The Contract will be in place for 12 months with the option to extend for a further 24 months on a 12 + 12-month basis.

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## Section IV. Procedure

### IV.1) Description

#### IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Negotiated without a prior call for competition

- The works, supplies or services can be provided only by a particular economic operator for the following reason:
  - absence of competition for technical reasons

Explanation:

There is an absence of competition for technical reasons because due to having only two local economic operators who provide bus transport and bus passes within the scope of our requirements, we are unable to undertake a competitive procurement process in line with the Directives. In the case of the wider Torbay provision, Stagecoach is the only operator able to cover the whole of Torbay at the times and locations required to provide an adequate choice of services to users within the required distance of their home. In the case of Brixham College, this service is already provided to college students who are not eligible for Council provided home-to-school transport and as the service they are providing is geared to meet the needs of students attending Brixham College, they are in a position to widen their offer to students eligible for home-to-school transport.

The Authority has as yet not entered into new contracts with these suppliers and is advising the market that, subject to internal approval and the outcome of this VEAT process, is intending to do so.

Torbay Council are intending to enter into this Contract on 01 September 2022 for an initial 12-month period with rolling 12-month possible extensions over a period of 2 years.

#### 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: [2018/S 195-441865](#)

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

### **Lot No**

1

### **Title**

School Transport Bus Passes Torbay

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

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

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

8 August 2022

#### **V.2.2) Information about tenders**

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

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

Stagecoach Devon Ltd

Matford Park Road

Exeter

EX2 8FD

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKK42 - Torbay

The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

No

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

Total value of the contract/lot/concession: £344,000

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

### **Lot No**

2

### **Title**

School Transport and Bus Passes Brixham College

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

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

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

8 August 2022

#### **V.2.2) Information about tenders**

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

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

Brixham College

Higher Ranscombe Rd

TQ5 9HF

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKK42 - Torbay

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: £28,800

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### **Section VI. Complementary information**

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

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

Legal Services

Torbay Council, Town Hall

Torquay

TQ1 3DR

Country

United Kingdom