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## **WSSCC - JS - Dynamic Purchasing System for the Provision of Passenger Transport Services**

West Sussex County Council

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

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

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United Kingdom

**NUTS code**

UKJ27 - West Sussex (South West)

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://www.westsussex.gov.uk/business-and-consumers/supplying-wscc-with-goods-or-services/>

Buyer's address

<https://in-tendhost.co.uk/sesharedservices.aspx/Tenders/Current>

**I.3) Communication**

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

**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**

WSCC - JS - Dynamic Purchasing System for the Provision of Passenger Transport Services

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

- 60120000 - Taxi services

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

Services

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

West Sussex County Council (the Council) plan and procure passenger transport services for service users to and from various establishments within and outside of West Sussex. It is the Council's intention to operate a Dynamic Purchasing System (DPS) for the future provision of these services. It is anticipated that the DPS will be open for applications from January 2022 with further competitions starting on 01 April 2022.

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

Value excluding VAT: £175,000,000

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

This contract is divided into lots: No

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

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

- 60130000 - Special-purpose road passenger-transport services
- 60170000 - Hire of passenger transport vehicles with driver

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

NUTS codes

- UKJ27 - West Sussex (South West)

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

The Council's Transport Coordination team (in Place Services) plan and procure transport on behalf of children and vulnerable adults to and from establishments in West Sussex and beyond. Additionally, other teams in the Council commission ad-hoc, urgent and specialist transport to meet the needs of residents such as during major incidents. The broad categories of Service User who receive transport from the Council include but are not limited to Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND), Mainstream, Adult Services, Alternative Provision College (APC), Looked After Children (LAC). A Service User may require a Passenger Assistant, parent, school staff, or nurse to accompany them on a journey. Vehicle requirements typically include cars, multi-purpose vehicles (MPVs), standard and wheelchair accessible minibuses and coaches. Occasionally specialist vehicles will be required including ambulances and secure transport. The DPS will be split into the following categories:— Category 1 – Vehicles up to 8 passenger seats— Category 2 – Vehicles with 9 passenger seats or more — Category 3 – Specialist Transport Passenger Assistants and/or medically trained personnel may be requested by the Council to support Service Users on any Category. It is anticipated that the initial term of the DPS will be 5 years, with an option to extend by one period of 24 months (2 years), taking the full term of the DPS to 7 years. More information will be published on the Council's e-sourcing portal <https://intendhost.co.uk/sesharedservices.aspx/Home> The procurement of public buses is out of scope of the proposed DPS.

## **II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice**

9 January 2022

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## **Section IV. Procedure**

### **IV.1) Description**

#### **IV.1.8) Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)**

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.3) Additional information**

The Council will be holding supplier information days when the DPS is open for applications (expected to be from Jan 2022). Further information regarding the locations, dates, times and how to book on the information days will be displayed on the Council's website and communicated via the e-sourcing platform.