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## **T24-122BUS PEACEPLUS Be Driven Project**

Derry City and Strabane District Council

F02: Contract notice

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

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

Derry City and Strabane District Council

Council Offices, 98 Strand Road

Derry

BT48 7NN

#### **Contact**

Via eTendersNI Messaging

#### **Email**

[tenders@derrystrabane.com](mailto:tenders@derrystrabane.com)

#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **Region code**

UK - United Kingdom

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps>

Buyer's address

<https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps>

**I.3) Communication**

The procurement documents are available for unrestricted and full direct access, free of charge, at

<https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

<https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps>

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**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**

T24-122BUS PEACEPLUS Be Driven Project

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

- 85322000 - Community action programme

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

Services

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

Derry City and Strabane District Council invite suppliers to tender for a PeacePlus Be Driven project. This project focuses on a Driver Training Programme, designed to enhance capacity and connectivity in the rural District Electoral Areas (DEAs) of Faughan, Sperrin, and Derg. These areas currently face a significant challenge due to the shortage of qualified mini-bus drivers, which hinders accessible transportation for residents. This initiative aims to address this gap by training six individuals (ideally three men and three women) specifically in obtaining a D1 driving license, thereby enhancing their driving skills and creating a pool of qualified drivers to better serve the community. Once the initial training has been completed, the project will widen to ensure a minimum total of 78 participants are engaged in the project on a cross-community basis. One or more of the trainee drivers, having obtained their D1 licence, will be employed to facilitate transporting of isolated rural participants to engage in cross-community activities, events, workshops, history, heritage and cultural diversity experiences. Arising from the Co-design process in the Rural District Electoral Area's of Sperrin, Faughan and Derg, this was highlighted as a key project underpinning rural engagement holistically in wider PEACEPLUS activity and should strive to bring key benefits and connectivity to these rural areas. This project is under the Thriving Peaceful Communities Theme. Please refer to the CfT documents for further detail.

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

Value excluding VAT: £55,364

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

This contract is divided into lots: No

## **II.2) Description**

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

- 85322000 - Community action programme

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

NUTS codes

- UKN0A - Derry City and Strabane

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

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### **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: £55,364

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

Duration in months

36

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: No

#### **II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds**

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: Yes

Identification of the project

PEACEPLUS Programme 2021-2027. Investment Area 1.1 Co-designed Local PEACEPLUS Action Plans

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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

#### **III.2) Conditions related to the contract**

##### **III.2.3) Information about staff responsible for the performance of the contract**

Obligation to indicate the names and professional qualifications of the staff assigned to performing the contract

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## **Section IV. Procedure**

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

#### **IV.1.1) Type of procedure**

Open procedure

#### **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

11 October 2024

Local time

12:00pm

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

English

#### **IV.2.6) Minimum time frame during which the tenderer must maintain the tender**

Tender must be valid until: 11 October 2025

#### **IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders**

Date

11 October 2024

Local time

12:30pm

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.1) Information about recurrence**

This is a recurrent procurement: No

## **VI.2) Information about electronic workflows**

Electronic invoicing will be accepted

Electronic payment will be used

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

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

Royal Courts of Justice NI

Belfast

Country

United Kingdom

### **VI.4.2) Body responsible for mediation procedures**

Royal Courts of Justice NI

Belfast

Country

United Kingdom

### **VI.4.3) Review procedure**

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

As per PCR 2015

### **VI.4.4) Service from which information about the review procedure may be obtained**

Royal Courts of Justice NI

Belfast

Country

United Kingdom

