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## **Pre-Market Engagement for Wheelchair Accessible Minibus and Coach Transport Services for SHSCT**

Business Services Organisation, Procurement and Logistics Service

F01: Prior information notice

Prior information only

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocids-h6vhtk-049928

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

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

Business Services Organisation, Procurement and Logistics Service

The Cottage, 5 Greenmount Avenue

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BT43 6DA

#### **Email**

[sourcing.palsballymena@hscni.net](mailto:sourcing.palsballymena@hscni.net)

#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **Region code**

UKNO - Northern Ireland

### **Internet address(es)**

Main address

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

Buyer's address

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

### **I.3) Communication**

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

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

Body governed by public law

### **I.5) Main activity**

Health

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## **Section II: Object**

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

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

Pre-Market Engagement for Wheelchair Accessible Minibus and Coach Transport Services for SHSCT

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

- 60170000 - Hire of passenger transport vehicles with driver

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

Services

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

This is a Prior Information Notice (PIN) to seek engagement with the market place to understand the market structure and ascertain how suppliers can assist in Wheelchair Accessible Minibus and Coach Transport Services for Southern Health and Social Care Trust (SHSCT). Potential suppliers for Wheelchair Accessible Minibus and Coach Transport Services will need to register their business on the website [www.eTendersNI.gov.uk](http://www.eTendersNI.gov.uk). Go to 'Suppliers new to eTendersNI' and follow the registration process. Suppliers will be required to register against the relevant CPV codes applicable to them and to ensure they receive email alerts regarding specific areas of interest. If already registered Suppliers should review their contact details to ensure the information is up to date. Assistance is available from eTenders NI Helpdesk, telephone number: 08002404545

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

This contract is divided into lots: No

## **II.2) Description**

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

- 34121500 - Coaches
- 34120000 - Motor vehicles for the transport of 10 or more persons
- 34114122 - Patient-transport vehicles
- 34115200 - Motor vehicles for the transport of fewer than 10 persons
- 60180000 - Hire of goods-transport vehicles with driver
- 60000000 - Transport services (excl. Waste transport)
- 60100000 - Road transport services
- 60112000 - Public road transport services
- 60120000 - Taxi services
- 34121000 - Buses and coaches
- 60172000 - Hire of buses and coaches with driver

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

NUTS codes

- UKNO - Northern Ireland

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

This is a prior information notice to seek engagement with the market place to understand the market structure and ascertain how suppliers can assist in Wheelchair Accessible Minibus and Coach Transport Services for the Southern Health and Social Care Trust (SHSCT) in compliance with all relevant Legislation. Also to ensure the inclusion of mandatory scored Social Value as applicable to the market sector and to seek information to inform a risk-rating exercise in relation to Ethical Procurement. To this end, BSO Procurement and Logistics Service (PaLS) wish to engage with potential suppliers on behalf of SHSCT to obtain a market view of the potential requirements through the eTendersNI secure messaging area of this Call for Tender (CfT). All correspondence in relation to this pre-market engagement exercise will be communicated via the eTendersNI secure messaging area. Suppliers should refer to the Supplier Engagement Document located within the CfT. Suppliers will be required to return answers to Appendix 5 — Supplier Questionnaire and any comments no later than 15:00 hours 23 September 2024. Suppliers should note that PaLS may follow up this questionnaire with a meeting(s) with interested suppliers during week commencing 14 October 2024. If required, invitations will be issued week commencing 30 September 2024. Suppliers should also note that any interest shown does not constitute a commitment to participate in any future tendering exercise.

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

21 February 2025

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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