

This is a published notice on the Find a Tender service: <https://www.find-tender.service.gov.uk/Notice/030841-2025>

Tender

Home to School Transport and Adult Social Care Transport Dynamic Purchasing System (DPS)

Wigan Council

F02: Contract notice

Notice identifier: 2025/S 000-030841

Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-05450f

Published 9 June 2025, 10:38am

Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

Wigan Council

Town Hall, Library Street

Wigan

WN1 1YN

Email

m.owen@wigan.gov.uk

Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UKD36 - Greater Manchester North West

Justification for not providing organisation identifier

Not on any register

Internet address(es)

Main address

<https://www.wigan.gov.uk>

Buyer's address

<https://www.wigan.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 to the following address:

Wigan Council

Applications to join the DPS must be submitted to the e-mail address below.

Email

hometoschooltransportdpsapplication@wigan.gov.uk

Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UKD3 - Greater Manchester

Internet address(es)

Main address

<https://www.wigan.gov.uk>

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Regional or local authority

I.5) Main activity

General public services

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Home to School Transport and Adult Social Care Transport Dynamic Purchasing System (DPS)

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 60000000 - Transport services (excl. Waste transport)

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Wigan Council is seeking to receive applications for admittance to a Home to School Transport and Adult Social Care Transport Dynamic Purchasing System (DPS). In accordance with The Public Contract Regulations 2015, Regulation 34 (28(a)), Wigan Council is extending the DPS originally advertised in The Official Journal of the European Union (OJEU) with reference number 2015/S 078-138444 and extended by notices 2019/S 093-224781 and 2023/S 000-017392. For indicative purposes, the DPS will be extended until 23rd February 2029. Providers already on the DPS do not need to reapply as they will automatically remain on the DPS.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £53,200,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 60100000 - Road transport services
- 85000000 - Health and social work services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKD3 - Greater Manchester

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Wigan Council is seeking to receive applications for admittance to a Home to School Transport and Adult Social Care Transport Dynamic Purchasing System (DPS). The DPS will be used as the mechanism to procure services by entering into calls for competition with providers on the DPS. In accordance with The Public Contract Regulations 2015, Regulation 34 (28(a)), Wigan Council is extending the DPS originally advertised in The Official Journal of the European Union (OJEU) with reference number 2015/S 078-138444 and extended by notices 2019/S 093-224781 and 2023/S 000-017392. For indicative purposes, the DPS will be extended until 23rd February 2029 from the previous end date of 5th July 2023. Providers already on the DPS

do not need to reapply as they will automatically remain on the DPS.

Transport services to be provided under the DPS include home to school transport for children with special educational needs, home to college transport for young adults with special educational needs, and adult social care transport. Services may be required on a daily, weekly, fortnightly or term time only basis for young people attending special educational needs schools, mainstream schools, mainstream colleges, alternative and

complementary education and residential services, and respite care; and for adults attending day care facilities owned and managed by Wigan Council, community interest companies and

respite care. Clients using the service may be vulnerable and suffer from learning disabilities, behavioural problems, sensory or hearing difficulties, autistic spectrum disorder or another

physical disability. Therefore, some journeys will require that a Passenger Assistant be provided by Wigan Council to accompany them.

In order to meet the variety of transport needs contractors must be able to provide as a

minimum one of the following vehicle options to be considered for admittance to the DPS: (i) Standard Car (up to four seats); (ii) Accessible Taxi; (iii) Black Cab; (iv) Minibus (up to eight seats); (v) Minibus (sixteen seats); (vi) Tail Lift Vehicle (minimum of 300kg tail lift required); and, (vii) Coach.

The DPS will be used as the mechanism through which Wigan Council will procure home to school and adult social care transportation services and it will be used as a basis to enter into

calls for competition with providers on the DPS. Individual contracts raised under the DPS may commence at any time and will depend on the local circumstances of Wigan Council. It

is however envisaged that the majority of the home to school contracts will run from the beginning of the Autumn term until the end of the academic year in which they are awarded.

The DPS period can be later amended (shortened or terminated), subject to the notification on the relevant standard forms.

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: £53,200,000

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

Duration in months

164

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

In accordance with The Public Contract Regulations 2015, Regulation 34 (28(a)), Wigan Council is extending the DPS originally advertised in The Official Journal of the European Union (OJEU) with reference number 2015/S 078-138444 and previously extended by

notices 2019/S 093-224781 and 2023/S 000-017392. For indicative purposes, the DPS will be extended from the previous end date of 5th July 2025 to 23rd February 2029.

II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: No

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: No

II.2.14) Additional information

The procurement documents are available for unrestricted and full direct access, free of charge, at <https://www.the-chest.org.uk>.

Once the application documents to join the DPS have been obtained from the abovenamed website address, applications to join the DPS must be submitted to the e-mail address

below:

hometoschooltransportdpsapplication@wigan.gov.uk

Section III. Legal, economic, financial and technical information

III.1) Conditions for participation

III.1.1) Suitability to pursue the professional activity, including requirements relating to enrolment on professional or trade registers

List and brief description of conditions

Applicants to the DPS should refer to and fully comply with all requirements detailed within the documents 'Service Specification' and 'Contractors Application Form'. Applicants should in particular refer to the following sections within document 'Service Specification': 'Vehicle Requirements' and 'The Driver'; and to the following sections within the 'Contractors

Application Form': 'Part 1 - Contractor Information' - 'Current Licence and Fleet Details' and 'Part 2 - Eligibility Section' - 'Contract Standards', 'Employees', 'Vehicles' and 'General Enquiries'.

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

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.1.8) 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

23 February 2029

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

English

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: No

VI.2) Information about electronic workflows

Electronic ordering will be used

Electronic invoicing will be accepted

Electronic payment will be used

VI.3) Additional information

The procurement documents are available for unrestricted and full direct access, free of charge, at <https://www.the-chest.org.uk>.

Once the application documents to join the DPS have been obtained from the abovenamed website address, applications to join the DPS must be submitted to the e-mail address

below:

hometoschooltransportdpsapplication@wigan.gov.uk

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Royal Courts of Justice

The Strand, Holborn

London

WC2A 2LL

Country

United Kingdom