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Planning

Cowley International College - Home to School Transport

Department for Education

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-05452c ([view related notices](#))

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Scope

Description

The procurement is to provide the college with a home to school transport service.

Total value (estimated)

- £250,000 excluding VAT
- £262,500 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Contract dates (estimated)

- 1 September 2025 to 31 August 2030
- 5 years

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 60100000 - Road transport services
- 60000000 - Transport services (excl. Waste transport)

Contract locations

- UK - United Kingdom

Engagement

Engagement deadline

30 June 2025

Engagement process description

We will be holding a teams event for all interested suppliers which will be held at 10:00 on 30/06/2025. The teams event will include the business manager from Cowley International College and Richard Huntrods from the Department for Education's Get Help Buying for Schools Team. The purpose of the call will be to provide detail of the opportunity to suppliers and it will also give them chance to ask questions which may be relevant to the procurement. For clarity, DFE's get help buying for schools team will be running the procurement exercise however the contracting authority is Cowley International College.

Participation

Particular suitability

- Small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)
- Voluntary, community and social enterprises (VCSE)

Submission

Publication date of tender notice (estimated)

1 July 2025

Contracting authority

Department for Education

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PDZG-3487-DPVD

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Region: UKI32 - Westminster

Organisation type: Public authority - central government

Other organisation

These organisations are carrying out the procurement, or part of it, on behalf of the contracting authorities.

Cowley International College

Summary of their role in this procurement: Contracting Authority

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PJYD-1385-RVTM

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