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Contract

Schools Bus Franchises Tranche 2

Greater Manchester Combined Authority

F03: Contract award notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

I.5) Main activity

General public services

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Schools Bus Franchises Tranche 2

Reference number

DN670932

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 60112000 - Public road transport services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

In accordance with the provisions of the Transport Act 2000 (as amended by the Bus Services Act 2017) and having followed the legislative procedure set out within the same, the Mayor of Greater Manchester decided on 25th March 2021 to introduce a bus franchising scheme for the entire Greater Manchester Combined Authority ('GMCA') area. As the executive body with responsibility for various transport functions on behalf of the GMCA, TfGM is responsible for various functions associated with the implementation and operation of the franchising scheme, including but not limited to undertaking and managing

the procurement process for the school service franchises. The GMCA will be the contracting entity and the bus franchising scheme will be overseen and managed by Transport for Greater Manchester ('TfGM'), including the procurement of Schools Bus Franchises services, on behalf of the GMCA. The procurement of Schools Bus Franchises packages will take place in three tranches which will align with the three franchises in which

Large and Small franchises are being procured. These franchises will not all be introduced

simultaneously, due to various transitional and implementation issues that will need to be addressed. The School Bus Franchises will be tendered in three Franchise Tranches determined by geographical area, as follows:

- (i) The first Schools Franchise Tranche (broadly covering Bolton, Salford and Wigan), is expected to contain 23 schools only franchises;
- (ii) The second Schools Franchise Tranche (broadly covering Bury, Rochdale, North

Manchester and Oldham) is expected to contain 9 schools only franchises; and

(iii) The third Schools Franchise Tranche (broadly covering Tameside, Stockport, South Manchester and Trafford) is expected to contain around 25 schools only franchises.

TfGM and GMCA require school services to commence on the Franchise Scheme

Commencement Date (as defined in the Schools Bus Franchise Agreement) which is before

the point at which the services under this contract can be operated pursuant to a local services contract pursuant to s.123K(4) of the Transport Act 2000. Due to this, the successful Tenderer for each Lot will contract with TfGM under TfGM's delegated powers under section 9A of the Transport Act 1968 (and the Manchester City Council Report for Resolution following the Greater Manchester Combined Authority (Functions and Amendments) Order 2019 No. 793) and sections 89-92 of the Transport Act 1985 as a secured service contract for the period from the date that the Schools Bus Franchise Agreement is entered into following contract award until the end of the period which is 9 months after the contract is entered into. GMCA intends to issue service permits for such school services to the extent required to operate such school services within the area of the

Franchising Scheme prior to the Franchise Scheme Commencement Date.

Schools Bus Franchises Key Principles

The key elements of the commercial approach to franchising in Greater Manchester are summarised below. Further detail can be found in the ITT document, which can be found on

the Pro-Contract ETendering portal: https://procontract.due_north.com

Depots: Operators will be required to provide their own depot facilities.

Intelligent Transport Systems (ITS): TfGM will procure contracts for the supply and maintenance of some aspects of the required ITS solution (such as vehicle location, ticketing

and driver communications systems) to ensure a standardised approach.

The scope of this procurement is to procure contracts under each of the 9 lots (each of which relates to a franchise school package in Tranche 2) based on the schools served, ranging in size from 1 to 7 Peak Vehicle Requirement (PVR).

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

II.1.7) Total value of the procurement (excluding VAT)

Value excluding VAT: £9,870,383

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Package A - St Monica's

Lot No

1

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 34120000 - Motor vehicles for the transport of 10 or more persons
- 60112000 - Public road transport services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKD - North West (England)

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Lot 1 is referred to as "Package A - St Monica's". Within the package there is a Peak

Vehicle

requirement of 2 and the services should be operated using the tenderer's own vehicles.
The

estimated value of the contract indicated covers the full term of the contract (65 months)

which is the initial terms plus renewals.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 55

Quality criterion - Name: Social Value / Weighting: 5

Quality criterion - Name: Price / Weighting: 40

Price - Weighting: 40

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: No

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Package B - Newman College

Lot No

2

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 34120000 - Motor vehicles for the transport of 10 or more persons
- 60112000 - Public road transport services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKD - North West (England)

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Lot 2 is referred to as “Package B - Newman College”. Within the package there is a Peak

Page 7 to 22 Vehicle requirement of 7 and the services should be operated using the tenderer’s own

vehicles. The estimated value of the contract indicated covers the full term of the contract (65 months) which is the initial terms plus renewals.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 55

Quality criterion - Name: Social value / Weighting: 5

Quality criterion - Name: Price / Weighting: 40

Price - Weighting: 40

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: No

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Package C - Blue Coat / Crompton House

Lot No

3

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 34120000 - Motor vehicles for the transport of 10 or more persons
- 60112000 - Public road transport services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKD - North West (England)

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Lot 3 is referred to as “Package C - Blue Coat/Crompton House”. Within the package there is

a Peak Vehicle requirement of 5 and the services should be operated using the tenderer's

own vehicles. The estimated value of the contract indicated covers the full term of the contract (65 months) which is the initial terms plus renewals.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 55

Quality criterion - Name: Social value / Weighting: 5

Quality criterion - Name: Price / Weighting: 40

Price - Weighting: 40

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: No

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Package D - Co-op Academy North

Lot No

4

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 34120000 - Motor vehicles for the transport of 10 or more persons
- 60112000 - Public road transport services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKD - North West (England)

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Lot 4 is referred to as “Package D - Co-op Academy North”. Within the package there is a Peak Vehicle requirement of 1 and the services should be operated using the tenderer’s own vehicles. The estimated value of the contract indicated covers the full term of the contract (65 months) which is the initial terms plus renewals.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 55

Quality criterion - Name: Social value / Weighting: 5

Quality criterion - Name: Price / Weighting: 40

Price - Weighting: 40

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: No

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Package E - Tottington

Lot No

5

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 34120000 - Motor vehicles for the transport of 10 or more persons
- 60112000 - Public road transport services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKD - North West (England)

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Lot 5 is referred to as "Package E - Tottington". Within the package there is a Peak Vehicle

requirement of 6 and the services should be operated using the tenderer's own vehicles. The

estimated value of the contract indicated covers the full term of the contract (65 months)

which is the initial terms plus renewals.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 55

Quality criterion - Name: Social Value / Weighting: 5

Quality criterion - Name: Price / Weighting: 40

Price - Weighting: 40

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: No

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Package F - St Cuthbert's / Saddleworth

Lot No

6

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 60112000 - Public road transport services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKD - North West (England)

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Lot 6 is referred to as "Package F – St Cuthbert's/Saddleworth". Within the package there is

a Peak Vehicle requirement of 2 and the services should be operated using the tenderer's

own vehicles. The estimated value of the contract indicated covers the full term of the contract (65 months) which is the initial terms plus renewals.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 55

Quality criterion - Name: Social Value / Weighting: 5

Quality criterion - Name: Price / Weighting: 40

Price - Weighting: 40

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: No

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Package G - Waterhead

Lot No

7

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 34120000 - Motor vehicles for the transport of 10 or more persons
- 60112000 - Public road transport services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKD - North West (England)

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Lot 7 is referred to as "Package G - Waterhead". Within the package there is a Peak Vehicle

requirement of 2 and the services should be operated using the tenderer's own vehicles. The

estimated value of the contract indicated covers the full term of the contract (65 months)

which is the initial terms plus renewals.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 55

Quality criterion - Name: Social Value / Weighting: 5

Quality criterion - Name: Price / Weighting: 40

Price - Weighting: 40

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: No

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Package H - Co-op Academy

Lot No

8

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 34120000 - Motor vehicles for the transport of 10 or more persons
- 60112000 - Public road transport services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKD - North West (England)

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Lot 8 is referred to as "Package H - Co-op Academy". Within the package there is a Peak Vehicle requirement of 1 and the services should be operated using a TfGM owned

vehicle.

The estimated value of the contract indicated covers the full term of the contract (65 months) which is the initial terms plus renewals.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 55

Quality criterion - Name: Social Value / Weighting: 5

Quality criterion - Name: Price / Weighting: 40

Price - Weighting: 40

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: No

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Package I - St Matthew's

Lot No

9

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 60100000 - Road transport services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKD - North West (England)

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Lot 9 is referred to as "Package I - St Matthew's". Within the package there is a Peak Vehicle

requirement of 1 and the services should be operated using a TfGM owned vehicle. The estimated value of the contract indicated covers the full term of the contract (60 months) which is the initial terms plus renewals.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 55

Quality criterion - Name: Social Value / Weighting: 5

Quality criterion - Name: Price / Weighting: 40

Price - Weighting: 40

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: No

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.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure

Notice number: [2023/S 000-014997](#)

Section V. Award of contract

Contract No

DN670932

Lot No

1

Title

Package A - St Monica's

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

13 October 2023

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 6

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 2

Number of tenders received from tenderers from other EU Member States: 0

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 6

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 6

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

First Manchester Ltd

Wallshaw Street

OLDHAM

OL1 3TR

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKD - North West (England)

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.4) Information on value of contract/lot (excluding VAT)

Total value of the contract/lot: £662,167

Section V. Award of contract

Contract No

DN670932

Lot No

2

Title

Package B - Newman College

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

13 October 2023

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 3

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 0

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 3

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 3

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Go North West Limited

3rd Floor 41-51, Grey Street

Newcastle Upon Tyne

NE1 6EE

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKD - North West (England)

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.4) Information on value of contract/lot (excluding VAT)

Total value of the contract/lot: £2,696,063

Section V. Award of contract

Contract No

DN670932

Lot No

3

Title

Package C - Blue Coat/Crompton House

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

13 October 2023

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 3

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 0

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 3

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 3

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Go North West Limited

3rd Floor 41-51, Grey Street

Newcastle Upon Tyne

NE1 6EE

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKD - North West (England)

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.4) Information on value of contract/lot (excluding VAT)

Total value of the contract/lot: £2,213,913

Section V. Award of contract

Contract No

DN670932

Lot No

4

Title

Package D - Co-op Academy North

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

13 October 2023

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 3

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 0

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 3

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 3

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

First Manchester Ltd

Wallshaw Street

OLDHAM

OL1 3TR

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKD - North West (England)

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.4) Information on value of contract/lot (excluding VAT)

Total value of the contract/lot: £321,042

Section V. Award of contract

Contract No

DN670932

Lot No

5

Title

Package E - Tottington

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

13 October 2023

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 5

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 1

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 5

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 5

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Go North West Limited

3rd Floor 41-51, Grey Street

Newcastle Upon Tyne

NE1 6EE

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKD - North West (England)

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.4) Information on value of contract/lot (excluding VAT)

Total value of the contract/lot: £2,263,965

Section V. Award of contract

Contract No

DN670932

Lot No

6

Title

Package F - St Cuthbert's/Saddleworth

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

13 October 2023

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 3

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 0

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 3

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 3

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

First Manchester Ltd

Wallshaw Street

OLDHAM

OL1 3TR

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKD - North West (England)

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.4) Information on value of contract/lot (excluding VAT)

Total value of the contract/lot: £646,314

Section V. Award of contract

Contract No

DN670932

Lot No

7

Title

Package G - Waterhead

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

13 October 2023

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 3

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 0

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 3

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 3

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

First Manchester Ltd

Wallshaw Street

OLDHAM

OL1 3TR

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKD - North West (England)

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.4) Information on value of contract/lot (excluding VAT)

Total value of the contract/lot: £661,596

Section V. Award of contract

Contract No

DN670932

Lot No

8

Title

Package H - Co-op Academy

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

13 October 2023

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 2

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 0

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 2

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 2

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

First Manchester Ltd

Wallshaw Street

OLDHAM

OL1 3TR

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKD - North West (England)

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.4) Information on value of contract/lot (excluding VAT)

Total value of the contract/lot: £202,552

Section V. Award of contract

Contract No

DN670932

Lot No

9

Title

Package I - St Matthew's

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

13 October 2023

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 3

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 0

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 3

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 3

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

First Manchester Ltd

Wallshaw Street

OLDHAM

OL1 3TR

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKD - North West (England)

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.4) Information on value of contract/lot (excluding VAT)

Total value of the contract/lot: £202,766

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Greater Manchester Combined Authority

Manchester

Country

United Kingdom

VI.4.2) Body responsible for mediation procedures

Greater Manchester Combined Authority

Manchester

Country

United Kingdom