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Planning

Supply and/or Fit of Replacement Fiat Ducato Engines for DCAs

South Western Ambulance Service NHS Foundation Trust

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Scope

Reference

SWAST-3158-F

Description

South Western Ambulance Service NHS Foundation Trust is seeking to engage with suppliers who can provide replacement engines for Fiat Ducato-based Double Crewed Ambulances (DCAs). This early market engagement aims to assess supplier capabilities and inform potential procurement options. Scope of Interest: We are interested in suppliers who can offer either: • Fully dressed replacement engines (new or reconditioned), or • Supply and fit services, including vehicle collection and redelivery. Key Information for Respondents: Vehicle registration numbers will be provided to enable accurate engine identification via standard motor factor systems. We are seeking information on the following: 1. Engine Type: • Are the engines new or reconditioned? • Please note: reconditioned engines must meet high reliability standards due to known rebuild challenges. 2. Warranty Terms: • Minimum expectations: 50,000 miles and 1–2 years. • Please specify any servicing requirements to maintain warranty (e.g. oil and filter

changes at 1,500, 5,000, and every 10,000 miles thereafter). 3. Service Offering: • Do you offer a fitting service? • If so, does it include collection and redelivery of the DCA? 4. Turnaround Time and Capacity: • Typical lead time for engine replacement. • Capacity to handle multiple vehicles simultaneously. 5. Aftersales Support: • Contact points for technical queries or warranty issues. 6. Engine Specification (if supply only): • Is the engine fully dressed (including injectors, clutch, flywheel, etc.)? • Or is it a bare block requiring transfer of ancillaries from the original engine? • Please highlight any additional parts typically required and potential cost implications. Next Steps: Interested suppliers are invited to express their interest and provide responses to the above points. This is not a call for competition but a request for information to support future procurement planning.

Total value (estimated)

- £100,000 excluding VAT
- £120,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Contract dates (estimated)

- 15 July 2025 to 30 August 2025
- 1 month, 16 days

Main procurement category

Goods

Additional procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 51144000 - Installation services of vehicle engines
 - 34310000 - Engines and engine parts
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Engagement

Engagement deadline

4 July 2025

Engagement process description

Please email Lewis Wells for further information.

Participation

Particular suitability

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

Publication date of tender notice (estimated)

14 July 2025

Contracting authority

South Western Ambulance Service NHS Foundation Trust

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