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# **Passenger Transport - Supplier Engagement**

Dumfries and Galloway Council South West of Scotland Transport Partnership (SWestrans)

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# **Section I: Contracting authority**

## I.1) Name and addresses

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Main address

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Buyer's address

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### I.1) Name and addresses

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**Dumfries** 

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Main address

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Buyer's address

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### I.2) Information about joint procurement

The contract involves joint procurement

## I.3) Communication

Additional information can be obtained from another address:

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**United Kingdom** 

**NUTS** code

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Main address

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# 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

Passenger Transport - Supplier Engagement

#### II.1.2) Main CPV code

• 60000000 - Transport services (excl. Waste transport)

#### II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

#### II.1.4) Short description

The Council have appointed Stantec UK Ltd to support a full review of the school and local bus network within Dumfries and Galloway.

To inform this review we are keen to have engagement with existing and potentially new operators for passenger transport, including buses, mini buses and taxis to inform the development and appraisal of options to meet the travel needs of the Dumfries and Galloway community and visitors to the region's. The revised network and longer term contracts are intended to provide an affordable, stable and sustainable model and input from potential suppliers is key to ensuring this is a success.

#### II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

#### II.2) Description

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

- 34121100 Public-service buses
- 60120000 Taxi services
- 60000000 Transport services (excl. Waste transport)
- 60100000 Road transport services
- 60112000 Public road transport services

- 60130000 Special-purpose road passenger-transport services
- 60170000 Hire of passenger transport vehicles with driver

#### II.2.3) Place of performance

**NUTS** codes

UKM92 - Dumfries & Galloway

Main site or place of performance

**Dumfries and Galloway** 

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

This notice has been published to seek engagement from any operator who may be interested in providing passenger transport services within Dumfries and Galloway to inform a wider review of the local bus and school network across the region. This supplier engagement exercise runs alongside engagement with the community and visitors to the region to better understand their post covid travel needs.

The Council are keen to encourage growth of the existing supply base either through business expansion of existing operators or encouraging new operators into the region.

This is aimed at all road transport operators including taxis, mini bus and bus operators.

A short survey is attached to this notice to get your views on key challenges and considerations. Alternatively a member of the review team can arrange a call or meeting to get your views and understanding of what would be needed to support you deliver efficient and effective passenger transport in Dumfries and Galloway by expressing an interest.

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

4 March 2024

# 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

# **Section VI. Complementary information**

# VI.3) Additional information

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