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Tender

PROVISION and OPERATION of an eBIKE HIRE SCHEME IN ABERDEEN

Aberdeen City Council

F02: Contract notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocids-h6vhtk-04e5e9

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The closing date and time has been changed to:

21 August 2025, 5:00pm

See the [change notice](#).

Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

Aberdeen City Council

Woodhill House, Westburn Road

Aberdeen

AB16 5GB

Email

TransportStrategy@aberdeencity.gov.uk

Telephone

+44 1467539600

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

UKM50 - Aberdeen City and Aberdeenshire

Internet address(es)

Main address

<http://www.aberdeencity.gov.uk>

Buyer's address

https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA00231

I.3) Communication

The procurement documents are available for unrestricted and full direct access, free of charge, at

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

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

<https://www.publiccontractsscotland.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

PROVISION and OPERATION of an eBIKE HIRE SCHEME IN ABERDEEN

Reference number

CRN00039224

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 60112000 - Public road transport services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Aberdeen City Council is seeking for the provision and operation of an eBike hire scheme in Aberdeen with a start-off minimum fleet size of no less than 200 (two hundred) eBikes.

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 34430000 - Bicycles
- 60112000 - Public road transport services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKM50 - Aberdeen City and Aberdeenshire

Main site or place of performance

Aberdeen City

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The requirement is for the provision and operation of an eBike hire scheme in Aberdeen with a start-off minimum fleet size of two hundred (200) electrically assisted pedal cycles (EAPC), (otherwise known as electric bike (eBike)) which must comply with the UK Government's Standards and Legal requirements for EAPCs.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 60

Price - Weighting: 40

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

Duration in months

60

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

This contract has an initial term of 36 months (3 years) with optional extension up to a total of 60 months

II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: No

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 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

The relevant selection criteria will be included in the SPD module.

III.1.2) Economic and financial standing

List and brief description of selection criteria

- Employers Liability Insurance
- Public Liability (Third Party) Insurance
- Product Liability Insurance
- Financial Assessment Rating of Low Risk

Minimum level(s) of standards possibly required

- Employers Liability Insurance to the value of not less than FIVE MILLION (5,000,000 GBP) POUNDS STERLING in respect of any one incident and unlimited as to numbers of claim.
- Public Liability (Third Party) Insurance to the value of not less than FIVE MILLION (5,000,000 GBP) POUNDS STERLING in respect of any one incident and unlimited as to numbers of claims.
- Product Liability Insurance to the value of not less than FIVE MILLION (5,000,000 GBP) POUNDS STERLING in the aggregate.
- On the Council's reasonable request, satisfactory evidence of the insurance policies, together with satisfactory evidence of payment of the premia in respect of each insurance shall be presented.
- The Council shall conduct a financial appraisal based on the most recent filed accounts/credit check and by considering financial ratios produced in this appraisal alongside the total value of the contract. This allows the Council to assess the financial stability to undertake the contract.

-Should the result not demonstrate appropriate financial standing and identify areas of concern or risk, further account related information may be requested for further assessment. The Council reserves the right not to award contracts beyond the demonstrated financial standing.

-The Authority will use an independent credit scoring organisation to conduct appropriate financial probity checks. You must score a risk rating of low risk in order to be considered for Contract award.

III.1.3) Technical and professional ability

List and brief description of selection criteria

- Relevant Experience
- Operational Capability
- Technical Infrastructure

Minimum level(s) of standards possibly required

- Relevant Experience of at least two successfully completed projects involving the operation or management of a public or private bike hire scheme within the last seven (7) years.
- Operational Capability which evidences capacity to manage the scheme fleet
- Technical Infrastructure demonstrating ability to deploy and maintain the fleet

III.2) Conditions related to the contract

III.2.2) Contract performance conditions

The Financial Contribution shall be disbursed in instalments aligned with achievement of the following key milestones:

- Milestone 1 – Contract Mobilisation (15%)
- Milestone 2 – Infrastructure Deployment (15%)
- Milestone 3 – System Readiness (10%)
- Milestone 4 – Scheme Launch (20%)
- Milestone 5 – Year One Operational Review (15%)

-Milestone 6 – Year Two Operational Review (15%)

-Milestone 7 – Year Three Operational Review (10%)

Please see ITT pack for full details.

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: [2025/S 000-006543](#)

IV.2.2) Time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate

Originally published as:

Date

7 August 2025

Local time

5:00pm

Changed to:

Date

21 August 2025

Local time

5:00pm

See the [change notice](#).

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

English

IV.2.6) Minimum time frame during which the tenderer must maintain the tender

Duration in months: 4 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)

IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders

Date

7 August 2025

Local time

5:00pm

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

Tenderers must comply with all questions noted in the the SPD.

All information pertaining to this contract notice is contained within the Invitation to Tender documentation. Tenderers should ensure they read all documentation provided.

NOTE: To register your interest in this notice and obtain any additional information please visit the Public Contracts Scotland Web Site at

https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/Search/Search_Switch.aspx?ID=802820.

The buyer has indicated that it will accept electronic responses to this notice via the Postbox facility. A user guide is available at

https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/sitehelp/help_guides.aspx.

Suppliers are advised to allow adequate time for uploading documents and to dispatch the electronic response well in advance of the closing time to avoid any last minute problems.

Community benefits are included in this requirement. For more information see:

<https://www.gov.scot/policies/public-sector-procurement/community-benefits-in-procurement/>

A summary of the expected community benefits has been provided as follows:

The following themed Community Benefit objectives are considered to be proportionate and relevant to the contract accounting for the nature, length and value of the contract. For more guidance and structure, please refer to Appendix 7 of the ITT pack.

-Active Member of Getabout

- Job Creation Related to the Project (Entry Level Employment)
- Jobs Created by the Project (Apprenticeships)
- Developing the Workforce
- Vacancy Sharing (including wider supply chain)
- Local Economic Development Measures (inclusive participation of local SMEs/local 3rd sector supply chain)

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Download the ESPD document here:

https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/ESPD/ESPD_Download.aspx?id=802820

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Aberdeen Sheriff Court and Justice of the Peace Court

Aberdeen

AB10 1WP

Country

United Kingdom