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Contract

Foundation Apprenticeship Transport

Forth Valley College

F20: Modification notice

Notice identifier: 2025/S 000-038789

Procurement identifier (OCID): ocids-h6vhtk-02a020

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Section I: Contracting authority/entity

I.1) Name and addresses

Forth Valley College

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Falkirk

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Telephone

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Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

UKM76 - Falkirk

Internet address(es)

Main address

<https://www.forthvalley.ac.uk/>

Buyer's address

https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA00451

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Foundation Apprenticeship Transport

Reference number

LQ-003-20

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 60100000 - Road transport services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

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

- 60170000 - Hire of passenger transport vehicles with driver
- 60120000 - Taxi services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKM72 - Clackmannanshire and Fife
- UKM76 - Falkirk
- UKM77 - Perth & Kinross and Stirling

Main site or place of performance

Clackmannanshire, Falkirk and Stirling council areas

II.2.4) Description of the procurement at the time of conclusion of the contract:

The Service consists of the provision of transport for students attending Foundation Apprenticeship courses at Forth Valley College campuses in Alloa, Falkirk and Stirling.

The journeys will include transport from pupils' schools throughout Forth Valley area to the College campuses and return to schools or students' home, as well as various transport to work placements and back to either school or home. Multiple pickups and drop-offs will also be required.

Please see Invitation to Tender and associated appendices.

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

Duration in months

12

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.2) Administrative information

IV.2.1) Contract award notice concerning this contract

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Section V. Award of contract/concession

Contract No

LQ-003-20

Title

Foundation Apprenticeship Transport

V.2) Award of contract/concession

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract/concession award decision:

24 September 2021

V.2.2) Information about tenders

The contract/concession has been awarded to a group of economic operators: Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor/concessionaire

Order of Malta Dial-a-Journey Trust

17 Munro Road

STIRLING

FK7 7UU

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKM77 - Perth & Kinross and Stirling

The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor/concessionaire

Hairy Haggis Tours Ltd

Northfield Farm, Longridge

Bathgate

EH47 9AA

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKM78 - West Lothian

The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor/concessionaire

Premier Executive (Scotland) Travel Limited

65, Stirling Street

Alva

FK12 5ED

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKM77 - Perth & Kinross and Stirling

The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor/concessionaire

Roundabout Executive Travel

17 Ochre Cresent, Cowie

Stirling

FK7 7AZ

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKM77 - Perth & Kinross and Stirling

The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor/concessionaire

Midland Bluebird Limited

Carmuir's House , 300 Stirling Road

Larbert

FK5 3NJ

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKM76 - Falkirk

The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor/concessionaire

MTG Enterprises Ltd T/A Merlin Travel

52 Woodend Road

Cardenden

KY50NH

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKM72 - Clackmannanshire and Fife

The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

Yes

V.2.4) Information on value of the contract/lot/concession (at the time of conclusion of the contract;excluding VAT)

Total value of the procurement: £712,500

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

All tenderers are required to:

- Complete the SPD within PCS.
- Complete and return separate SPD for any entities tenderers are relying on to meet the selection criteria.

It is a requirement that bidders hold, or will commit to obtain prior to the commencement of any subsequently awarded contract, the types and levels of insurance indicated below:

- Employers liability insurance GBP 5M
- Public liability Insurance GBP 5M
- Motor vehicle insurance
- Tenderers must complete and return the following as part of the tender submission:

Appendix A – Form of Tender

Appendix B – Freedom of Information (if applicable)

Response to Technical Questions found within Invitation to Tender.

Appendix E – Commercial / Pricing Schedule

SPD

The Framework agreement is for an initial period of 1 year.

The College reserves the right to extend the Framework Agreement for 3 further periods of 12 months subject to satisfactory performance and continued College requirements.

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VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Camelon Sheriff Court

Main Street, Camelon

Falkirk

FK1 4AR

Country

United Kingdom

Section VII: Modifications to the contract/concession

VII.1) Description of the procurement after the modifications

VII.1.1) Main CPV code

- 60100000 - Road transport services

VII.1.3) Place of performance

NUTS code

- UKM72 - Clackmannanshire and Fife
- UKM76 - Falkirk
- UKM77 - Perth & Kinross and Stirling

Main site or place of performance

Clackmannanshire, Falkirk and Stirling council areas.

VII.1.4) Description of the procurement:

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VII.1.5) Duration of the contract, framework agreement, dynamic purchasing system or concession

Start date

9 August 2021

End date

8 August 2026

In the case of framework agreements, provide justification for any duration exceeding 4 years:

The framework agreement is being extended by one additional year (total of 5 years) in accordance with Regulation 34(2) of the Procurement (Scotland) Regulations 2015. This

extension is justified due to the need for continuity of service for end users whilst we undertake re-tendering.

VII.1.6) Information on value of the contract/lot/concession (excluding VAT)

Total value of the contract/lot/concession:

£712,500

VII.1.7) Name and address of the contractor/concessionaire

premier executive(scotland) travel limited

24, clackmannan road

alloa

fk10 1rr

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKM72 - Clackmannanshire and Fife

The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

Yes

VII.1.7) Name and address of the contractor/concessionaire

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17 Munro Road

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FK7 7UU

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

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The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

Yes

VII.1.7) Name and address of the contractor/concessionaire

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17 ochre crescent, , Cowie

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FK7 7AZ

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

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The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

Yes

VII.2) Information about modifications

VII.2.1) Description of the modifications

Nature and extent of the modifications (with indication of possible earlier changes to the contract):

The framework agreement is being extended by one additional year (total of 5 years) in accordance with Regulation 34(2) of the Procurement (Scotland) Regulations 2015. This extension is justified due to the need for continuity of service for end users whilst we undertake re-tendering.

The number of suppliers has been reduced from six to three due to supplier withdrawal.

There is no increase in total contract value.

VII.2.2) Reasons for modification

Need for modification brought about by circumstances which a diligent contracting authority/entity could not foresee.

Description of the circumstances which rendered the modification necessary and explanation of the unforeseen nature of these circumstances:

The modification is required due to the short period between receiving confirmed student transport requirements from local authorities and the commencement of the academic term when the service must begin. These timings could not have been reasonably anticipated and did not allow sufficient time to complete a full re-tendering process.

VII.2.3) Increase in price

Updated total contract value before the modifications (taking into account possible earlier contract modifications, price adaptations and average inflation)

Value excluding VAT: £712,500

Total contract value after the modifications

Value excluding VAT: £712,500