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Purchase of Season Tickets on Commercial Bus Routes for Home to School Transport 2025/2026

Leicestershire County Council

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Scope

Reference

DN784257

Description

Direct award to four Leicestershire bus operators for the provision of season tickets on commercial bus routes for the provision of home to school transport for the academic year 2025/2026.

Each individual contract is below threshold.

Contract 1. Purchase of Season Tickets - Arriva

Supplier

- ARRIVA MIDLANDS LIMITED

Contract value

- £76,000 excluding VAT
- £91,200 including VAT

Below the relevant threshold

Earliest date the contract will be signed

18 August 2025

Contract dates (estimated)

- 28 August 2025 to 31 July 2026
- 11 months, 4 days

Main procurement category

Services

Options

The right to additional purchases while the contract is valid.

Possible purchase of additional season tickets if demand increases.

CPV classifications

- 60000000 - Transport services (excl. Waste transport)

Contract locations

- UKF2 - Leicestershire, Rutland and Northamptonshire
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Contract 2. Purchase of Season Tickets - Kinch Bus

Supplier

- Kinchbus

Contract value

- £6,000 excluding VAT
- £7,200 including VAT

Below the relevant threshold

Earliest date the contract will be signed

18 August 2025

Contract dates (estimated)

- 28 August 2025 to 31 July 2026
- 11 months, 4 days

Main procurement category

Services

Options

The right to additional purchases while the contract is valid.

Possible purchase of additional season tickets if demand increases.

CPV classifications

- 60000000 - Transport services (excl. Waste transport)

Contract locations

- UKF2 - Leicestershire, Rutland and Northamptonshire
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Contract 3. Purchase of Season Tickets - Centrebus

Supplier

- CENTREBUS LIMITED

Contract value

- £15,000 excluding VAT
- £18,000 including VAT

Below the relevant threshold

Earliest date the contract will be signed

18 August 2025

Contract dates (estimated)

- 28 August 2025 to 31 July 2026
- 11 months, 4 days

Main procurement category

Services

Options

The right to additional purchases while the contract is valid.

Possible purchase of additional season tickets if demand increases.

CPV classifications

- 60000000 - Transport services (excl. Waste transport)

Contract locations

- UKF2 - Leicestershire, Rutland and Northamptonshire
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Contract 4. Purchase of Season Tickets - First Bus

Supplier

- FIRSTBUS GROUP LIMITED

Contract value

- £2,000 excluding VAT
- £2,400 including VAT

Below the relevant threshold

Earliest date the contract will be signed

18 August 2025

Contract dates (estimated)

- 28 August 2025 to 31 July 2026
- 11 months, 4 days

Main procurement category

Services

Options

The right to additional purchases while the contract is valid.

Possible purchase of additional season tickets if demand increases.

CPV classifications

- 60000000 - Transport services (excl. Waste transport)

Contract locations

- UKF2 - Leicestershire, Rutland and Northamptonshire

Participation

Particular suitability

Small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)

Procedure

Procedure type

Below threshold - without competition

Suppliers

ARRIVA MIDLANDS LIMITED

- Companies House: 02141078
- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PHMY-1817-RBMM

1 Admiral Way

Sunderland

SR3 3XP

United Kingdom

Email: francet@arriva.co.uk

Website: <http://arrivabus.co.uk>

Region: UKC23 - Sunderland

Small or medium-sized enterprise (SME): No

Voluntary, community or social enterprise (VCSE): No

Contract 1. Purchase of Season Tickets - Arriva

CENTREBUS LIMITED

- Companies House: 03872099
- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PMCQ-6846-ZRCY

43 Wenlock Way

Leicester

LE4 9HU

United Kingdom

Email: chris.almond@centrebus.co.uk

Website: <http://www.centrebus.info/>

Region: UKF21 - Leicester

Small or medium-sized enterprise (SME): Yes

Voluntary, community or social enterprise (VCSE): No

Contract 3. Purchase of Season Tickets - Centrebus

FIRSTBUS GROUP LIMITED

- Companies House: 02059633
- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PQWC-8296-BBMZ

8th Floor The Point

London

W2 1AF

United Kingdom

Email: Hannah.Cattermer@firstbus.co.uk

Region: UKI32 - Westminster

Small or medium-sized enterprise (SME): No

Voluntary, community or social enterprise (VCSE): No

Contract 4. Purchase of Season Tickets - First Bus

Kinchbus

Mansfield Road

Heanor

DE75 7DG

United Kingdom

Email: talk@kinchbus.co.uk

Region: UKF13 - South and West Derbyshire

Small or medium-sized enterprise (SME): No

Voluntary, community or social enterprise (VCSE): No

Contract 2. Purchase of Season Tickets - Kinch Bus

Contracting authority

Leicestershire County Council

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PNHT-9235-VXDV

County Hall

Leicester

LE3 8RA

United Kingdom

Email: Commissioning.Support@leics.gov.uk

Region: UKF22 - Leicestershire CC and Rutland

Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government