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Tender

Greater Manchester Region Local Electric Vehicle Infrastructure (LEVI) - Concession Contract

Transport for Greater Manchester
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Scope

Description

Background to the procurement

TfGM is currently tendering for the Provision of Local Electric Vehicle Charging Infrastructure.

The purpose of this procurement exercise is to enable prospective Suppliers to submit a tender detailing how they would introduce additional chargepoints in predominantly on-

street locations on land owned by or under the control of public bodies across Greater Manchester. Utilising funding provided by the Department for Transport for the LEVI programme; this is a collaborative initiative with TfGM (who will be administering the procurement and installation phases) and the 10 Local Authorities that make up the Greater Manchester Combined Authority.

The LEVI programme aims to increase the provision of electric vehicle charging infrastructure across the country primarily in areas where local residents do not have access to off street parking or find it difficult to access a chargepoint.

The winning Supplier will be appointed by TfGM on behalf of the wider consortium. The wider consortium is made up of the following Local Authorities:

Bolton Metropolitan Borough Council

Bury Council

Manchester City Council

Oldham Metropolitan Borough Council

Rochdale Borough Council

Salford City Council

Stockport Metropolitan Borough Council

Tameside Metropolitan Borough Council

Trafford Metropolitan Borough Council

Wigan Metropolitan Borough Council

As a Tranche 1 authority Greater Manchester as a whole has received £16.158 million of LEVI capital funding with the expectation that this will contribute towards our 2030 targets for electric vehicle charging provision. A number of GM Authorities have also added an additional sum of City Region Sustainable Transport Settlement (CRSTS) funding to the LEVI amount, which will make the total available for this project become £17.908 million.

In line with the intention of this funding, TfGM is seeking a Supplier to increase provision of chargepoints, in the following types of locations spread across the region:

Council-owned car parks for both local and destination charging. In regards to the LEVI fund, the car parks in scope would need to be in proximity (roughly 5-min walk) to

residential areas and be appropriate for overnight charging.

Off-street locations in the form of hubs on other public-owned land

On-street - including standalone bollards, lamp columns.

Full details of the requirement and context of the procurement can be found in the PSQ and Main Tender documents.

The Procurement

Originally, this procurement exercise was to be completed under the old PCR15 regulations. Pre-market engagement was undertaken under these regulations back in 2024, with a PIN notice being published in August of that same year.

Suppliers wishing to take part in this project are invited to 'express an interest' in order to gain access to the full suite of procurement documents in the e-tendering system (Pro-Contract).

Please allow sufficient time to make your return, as Tender submissions cannot be uploaded and submitted after this return deadline.

Suppliers are to ensure that where possible documents are uploaded and that file names are succinct.

Any questions relating to this procurement must be made via the messaging service on the e-tendering portal and in accordance with the procurement documents.

Suppliers should be aware that due to the nature of the Services required, any Contract formed as a result of this procurement process shall be executed as a deed. Suppliers should seek independent legal advice on the implications of this prior to submitting their tender, where appropriate.

Please note that the contract requirements will be subject to available financial resources, supplier performance and flexibility to meet changing demands.

The value estimated on this notice is the amount of revenue that the successful supplier could achieve over the duration of the contract, based on a minimum of 3000 chargepoints being installed and in place for a 20-year period.

TfGM will be using the Proactis / Pro-Contract e-tendering portal to manage all stages of this Competitive Flexible procedure, the details of which can be found below.

All of the tender documents associated with this Competitive Flexible procedure will be

shared with Suppliers right from the beginning but Suppliers are asked to read the 'Tender Process Explanation - READ FIRST' document before any of the other documents, as this will provide guidance as to the process and indicate what documents need completing and when.

As this tender is being ran under the Procurement Act 23, Suppliers will need to ensure that they have registered on the Central Digital Platform (CDP) before submitting their bid for the PSQ stage initially, and Suppliers will be required to share the financial information, associated persons information etc. that they will be relying on for their bid, from the CDP when they submit their response. This information will form part of the evaluation process.

Total value (estimated)

- £166,000,000 excluding VAT
- £199,000,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Contract dates (estimated)

- 16 April 2026 to 15 April 2046
- Possible extension to 15 April 2047
- 21 years

Description of possible extension:

The single optional extension year may be taken up for administration purposes, if there is a need to enact it.

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 45310000 - Electrical installation work
- 50100000 - Repair, maintenance and associated services of vehicles and related equipment
- 51110000 - Installation services of electrical equipment

Contract locations

- UKD3 - Greater Manchester

Justification for not using lots

There will be one single lot for all the required EV charging equipment on this contract.

As there are a number of contracting authorities involved within this procurement and the forthcoming contract (11), it was decided that there will be just one supplier for all the works and services required to ensure contract management is simpler and the objectives of the LEVI funding are fully met.

TFGM are actively encouraging suppliers (including smaller and more bespoke suppliers) to work together either as consortiums or SPVs -Special Purpose Vehicles, so they can bid together for this single lot.

Participation

Legal and financial capacity conditions of participation

A financial risk assessment methodology has been provided as part of the attachments to the PSQ. Prospective Suppliers are required to read this information thoroughly and follow the instructions in order to complete the self-assessment prior to the PSQ submission deadline.

Suppliers are required to confirm whether they already have, or can commit to obtain, prior to the commencement of the contract, the levels of insurance cover indicated below:

Employer's (Compulsory) Liability Insurance = £10,000,000

Public Liability Insurance = £25,000,000

Professional Indemnity Insurance = £5,000,000

Product Liability Insurance = £10,000,000

Cyber Liability Insurance = £5,000,000

A response of 'No' or failure to attach suitable evidence of the commitment will Fail to meet this condition of participation.

Technical ability conditions of participation

In the PSQ there are x6 Technical Ability questions, scored in line with the award criteria found within the same document.

The score for each question will be added together to give a Total Score (out of 100%) for each Supplier. All Suppliers who receive a Total Score will be ranked by score and the top 5 ranked Suppliers will be invited to tender.

Submission

Submission type

Requests to participate

Deadline for requests to participate

25 September 2025, 3:00pm

Submission address and any special instructions

TfGM are using Pro-Contract / The Chest for the management of this procurement. This is where the tender documents will be held and where suppliers must submit their bids.

The Pro-Contract ref number is DN782439.

If interested suppliers are not registered already on this e-sourcing portal, we recommend that they do so as soon as possible. Here is the link to register -

<https://procontract.duenorth.com/Register>

Tenders may be submitted electronically

Yes

Languages that may be used for submission

English

Suppliers to be invited to tender

Maximum 5 suppliers

Selection criteria:

TfGM intends to shortlist a maximum of 5 Suppliers (provided there are sufficient suitable suppliers). These will be the 5 highest scoring Suppliers found at this stage, and the evaluation methodology to be applied to find those 5 is fully detailed in the PSQ document.

TfGM will inform all Suppliers who submit a completed PSQ response whether or not they have been shortlisted to move to the next stage and only the 5 chosen Suppliers will be

told by TfGM when to complete the Main ITT document via the e-sourcing portal.

Award decision date (estimated)

1 April 2026

Award criteria

Name	Description	Type	Weighting
Qualitative	Qualitative elements as fully detailed in Main ITT document including Social Value.	Quality	70%
Commercial	Commercial criterion as fully detailed in Main ITT document and Appendix 3 document.	Cost	30%

Other information

Payment terms

Payment terms / milestones - Details within the relevant schedule of Part C.

Description of risks to contract performance

Risk - Contractor going into administration

Impact - need to find a new contractor to complete installation works or to take on management of installed assets, depending on when the risk occurs.

Risk - Changes in EVCI chargepoint standards or regulations

Impact - the project could be delay during the installation phase, costs could be increased and equipment might need to be changed to meet new standards or regulations.

Risk - LA partner deciding to withdraw from programme.

Impact - Change to geographical spread of chargepoints installed across the region, which could affect concessionaire's commercial model.

Risk - Changes to National Grid capacity and/or costs

Impact - Reduction in number of chargepoints installed during delivery period and increased value of funding required per chargepoint.

Risk - Escalation of international conflicts / Increase of trade tariffs / Emergence of Epidemic/Pandemic

Impact - Significant rise in costs or lack of availability of equipment and materials.

Applicable trade agreements

- Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

Conflicts assessment prepared/revised

Yes

Procedure

Procedure type

Competitive flexible procedure

Special regime

Concession

Competitive flexible procedure description

This competition is being conducted under the competitive flexible procedure pursuant to sections 19 and 20 of the Procurement Act 2023. This procurement is for the award of a concession contract pursuant to section 8 of the Procurement Act 2023. The procurement process leading to the award of this agreement is anticipated to comprise two main stages: qualification and award. At the outcome of the first stage, qualification, the GM Authorities will have established a shortlist of Suppliers.

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Any interested Suppliers can complete the PSQ document and return it to TfGM for evaluation.

The PSQ will include questions on the Supplier's legal and financial capacity plus a number of scored and evaluated questions around the Supplier's technical ability (based on previous experience) to perform this contract. Supplier's that fail any of the mandatory pass / fail questions or are not on the 5 highest scoring Suppliers will not progress to the next part of the procurement process. TfGM will enact a standstill period at the end of the PSQ process and will provide feedback to unsuccessful Suppliers at this point.

The award stage will commence with the shortlisted Suppliers once the standstill period that has been allowed for at this stage, has been completed. The documents making up the Main ITT will contain qualitative questions related to the Suppliers bid and detailed information regarding the award process and award criteria. It is at this point in the process only, that Suppliers will be required to complete the commercial document (Part B - Appendix 3).

Documents

Documents to be provided after the tender notice

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Contracting authorities

Transport for Greater Manchester

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PNJQ-2746-NWYT

2 Piccadilly Place

Manchester

M1 3BG

United Kingdom

Email: procurement@tfgm.com

Website: <http://www.tfgm.com>

Region: UKD33 - Manchester

Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government

Bolton Metropolitan Borough Council

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PBJZ-9785-JTLD

Town Hall, Victoria Square

Bolton

BL1 1RU

United Kingdom

Email: corporate.procurement@bolton.gov.uk

Website: <http://www.bolton.gov.uk>

Region: UKD36 - Greater Manchester North West

Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government

Manchester City Council

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PLNV-8798-LDMP

Town Hall Extension

Manchester

M60 2LA

United Kingdom

Email: procurement@manchester.gov.uk

Region: UKD33 - Manchester

Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government

Oldham Metropolitan Borough Council

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PMRJ-8362-DVNT

Spindles Shopping Centre, West Street

Oldham

OL1 1HD

United Kingdom

Email: commercial.procurementunit@oldham.gov.uk

Region: UKD37 - Greater Manchester North East

Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government

Rochdale Borough Council

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PXXD-6682-MDRX

Number One Riverside

Rochdale

OL16 1XU

United Kingdom

Email: procurement@star-procurement.gov.uk

Region: UKD37 - Greater Manchester North East

Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government

Salford City Council

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PRCJ-7674-MRWM

Civic Centre, Chorley Road, Swinton

Manchester

M27 5DA

United Kingdom

Email: procurement@salford.gov.uk

Region: UKD34 - Greater Manchester South West

Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government

Stockport Metropolitan Borough Council

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PZGW-7196-LCHL

Stopford House, Piccadilly

Stockport

SK1 3XE

United Kingdom

Email: procurement@star-procurement.gov.uk

Region: UKD35 - Greater Manchester South East

Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government

Tameside Metropolitan Borough Council

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PVWB-2493-LWTQ

Tameside One

Ashton under Lyne

OL6 0GS

United Kingdom

Email: procurement@star-procurement.gov.uk

Region: UKD35 - Greater Manchester South East

Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government

Trafford Council

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PGZW-1429-QQZQ

Trafford Town Hall, Talbot Road

Manchester

M32 0TH

United Kingdom

Email: procurement@star-procurement.gov.uk

Region: UKD34 - Greater Manchester South West

Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government

Wigan Council

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PCGG-6481-TZPW

Wigan Town Hall, Library Street

Wigan

WN1 1YN

United Kingdom

Email: Procurement@wigan.gov.uk

Region: UKD36 - Greater Manchester North West

Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government

Metropolitan borough of Bury

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PVVT-2483-WWMH

Town Hall, Knowsley Street

Bury

BL9 0SW

United Kingdom

Email: corporateprocurement@bury.gov.uk

Website: <http://www.bury.gov.uk>

Region: UKD37 - Greater Manchester North East

Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government

Contact organisation

Contact Transport for Greater Manchester for any enquiries.