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Contract

Connected and Autonomous Vehicles (CAV) with operating software, commissioning and pilot support

Tees Valley Combined Authority

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Scope

Reference

TVCA-PROC-0505

Description

Tees Valley Combined Authority (the 'Contacting Authority'), part of the Tees Valley

Combined Authority Group, have awarded a contract for the provision of a Connected and Autonomous Vehicle (CAV) baggage cargo Tug, and a CAV airside passenger Shuttle with

the following requirements:

a. Vehicle development

o CAV Tug (one of) comprising vehicle and integrated hardware to operate autonomously.

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- o Associated CAV software required for the CAV Tug to operate autonomously.
 - o CAV Shuttle (one of) comprising vehicle and integrated hardware to operate autonomously.
 - o Associated CAV software required for the CAV Shuttle to operate autonomously.
 - o Operational control and fleet management software required to task, control and monitor the CAV Tug and CAV Shuttle.
 - o Hardware necessary to operate the operational control and fleet management software.
 - o Vehicle access at a showcasing event in Teesside in Summer 2025 (date TBC)
 - o Acceptance test plan for both CAV types.
 - o Vehicle testing and acceptance support
 - b. Commissioning & assurance
 - o Commissioning and operational assurance
 - o Handover
 - o Training for operators and maintainers for both CAV types.
 - o Maintenance manuals, support and guidance.
 - c. Ongoing operational support
 - o Spares package
 - o Maintenance package and warranty
 - o Software licencing
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Supplier

- RICHMOND DESIGN & MARKETING LIMITED

Contract value

- £890,000 excluding VAT
- £1,068,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Date signed

4 August 2025

Contract dates

- 4 August 2025 to 31 December 2026
- Possible extension to 31 December 2027
- 2 years, 4 months, 28 days

Description of possible extension:

Twelve (12) month option to extend

Main procurement category

Goods

CPV classifications

- 34114000 - Specialist vehicles

Contract locations

- UKC1 - Tees Valley and Durham

Justification for not setting key performance indicators

Contract value is below the relevant KPI threshold.

Other information

Conflicts assessment prepared/revised

Yes

Procedure

Procedure type

Open procedure

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Small or medium-sized enterprise (SME): Yes

Voluntary, community or social enterprise (VCSE): No

Supported employment provider: No

Public service mutual: No

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Contracting authority

Tees Valley Combined Authority

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