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Tender

Provision of a Bus Service to Kingston University

Kingston University Higher Education Corporation

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Scope

Reference

CPU-23-KU-UKO-884-DW-2025

Description

The University is committed to supporting sustainable travel choices for staff, students and visitors across our campus locations. A key part of our offering is the inter site bus service network; connecting residences with our academic campuses at Kingston Hill, Roehampton Vale and Penrhyn Road. The current contract for the operation of this network comes to an end in August 2026 and the University is seeking tenders for operations commencing in September 2026.

The University wishes to appoint an operator to provide transport for a number of routes created to serve the student body that serves to move them between Halls and the Campus locations in the Kingston locale. Certain variations are included on the core route outlined in this tender specification which, subject to financial implications, would be

considered to further enhance the current network.

The aim of the University Service will be to provide a free, low environmental impact and high-quality transport Service primarily for the students of the University but also used by Staff and the general public following Key objective s listed in the Specification document of the tender.

Please note the attached documentation and complete as required prior to the deadline.

Total value (estimated)

- £7,000,000 excluding VAT
- £8,400,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Contract dates (estimated)

- 1 September 2026 to 31 August 2033
- 7 years

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 34121000 - Buses and coaches
- 34121100 - Public-service buses
- 34121300 - Double-decker buses

- 34144910 - Electric buses
- 50113000 - Repair and maintenance services of buses
- 50113200 - Bus maintenance services
- 60172000 - Hire of buses and coaches with driver
- 63712100 - Bus station services

Submission

Enquiry deadline

3 September 2025, 5:00pm

Tender submission deadline

10 September 2025, 12:00pm

Submission address and any special instructions

<https://in-tendhost.co.uk/kingstonuniversity.aspx/Home>

Tenders may be submitted electronically

Yes

Languages that may be used for submission

English

Award decision date (estimated)

29 October 2025

Recurring procurement

Publication date of next tender notice (estimated): 2 April 2033

Award criteria

Name	Description	Type
Simple description	As per tender documentation	Price

Weighting description

As per tender documentation

Other information

Conflicts assessment prepared/revised

Yes

Procedure

Procedure type

Open procedure

Documents

Associated tender documents

<https://in-tendhost.co.uk/kingstonuniversity.aspx/Home>

Kingston University e-procurement portal address for document access

Contracting authority

Kingston University Higher Education Corporation

- UK Register of Learning Providers (UKPRN number): 10003678

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Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government