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Planning

Local Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Concession

Cornwall Council

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Scope

Reference

DN775309

Description

Cornwall Council is conducting a soft market test to inform the development of a 15-year initial term concession contract (with an option to extend by 1 further year) for Electric Vehicle Infrastructure (EVI), part-funded by the Government's Local Electric Vehicle Infrastructure (LEVI) fund.

The LEVI fund is a UK government initiative designed to support local authorities in expanding EVI. The LEVI Capital Fund specifically aims to:

- Drive a step-change in the deployment of primarily low-power, on-street EV charging across England.
- Accelerate commercialisation and attract private investment into the local charging sector.

Cornwall Council has secured its full allocation of LEVI funding. The majority, £3,106,300, will be used to procure a new external concession contract. The authority is considering using Crown Commercial Services (CCS) contract as a basis to facilitate running an open market procurement for publicly available, on-street EVI services. Cornwall Council would like this funding to help deliver at least 2,000 new EV chargepoints across Cornwall by 2030.

Please note - the contracting authority has a maximum budget of £3,106,300 million (ex vat). The final contract value will include additional capital investment from the successful bidder, anticipated to be at least 60% of the total project cost, subject to bidder proposals and commitments.

Disclaimer - the final contract value will be determined through the competitive process.

Total value (estimated)

- £3,106,300 excluding VAT
- £3,727,560 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Contract dates (estimated)

- 12 October 2026 to 11 October 2041
- Possible extension to 11 October 2042
- 16 years

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 30163000 - Charge cards
- 31158000 - Chargers
- 31681500 - Rechargers
- 34000000 - Transport equipment and auxiliary products to transportation
- 42992000 - Special-purpose electrical goods
- 45233293 - Installation of street furniture
- 45310000 - Electrical installation work
- 50324100 - System maintenance services
- 51000000 - Installation services (except software)
- 63712600 - Vehicle refuelling services
- 65300000 - Electricity distribution and related services

Contract locations

- UKK30 - Cornwall and Isles of Scilly

Engagement

Engagement deadline

26 September 2025

Engagement process description

This is a Soft Market Test as part of our pre procurement market engagement, please refer to the Procurement description section for further detail.

Should you be interested in this area of service provision and helping us with our tender development, please register your interest via our procurement portal ([Proactis.com](https://www.proactis.com)) www.supplyingthesouthwest.org.uk and search for Project No. DN775309, Local Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Concession to download the Soft Market Test and then return via the portal by no later than close of 26/09/2025 or at the following link:

<https://procontract.due-north.com/Supplier/Advert/View?advertId=9456ce31-597f-f011-813a-005056b64545&fromProjectDashboard=False&fromRfxSummary=False&selectWorkgroup=False&fromAdvertEvent=False&fromActivityDashboard=False>

Participation

Particular suitability

Small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)

Submission

Publication date of tender notice (estimated)

14 January 2026

Procedure

Special regime

Concession

Contracting authority

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Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government