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Tender

CBC-1850-T-SK - Lamppost Electric Vehicle Charging Infrastructure and Associated Services in Central Bedfordshire (LEVI Tender 2)

Central Bedfordshire Council

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Scope

Description

Central Bedfordshire Council have been allocated £1,413,000 through the Local Electric Vehicle Infrastructure (LEVI) fund, which aims to increase the number of on-street low-powered charging points in residential areas and accelerate the commercialisation of this market.

The Council requires Service Providers for two concession contracts for the supply, installation, operation, management, and maintenance of a network of public electric vehicle charge points and associated services, at locations across Central Bedfordshire.

Appointment to these contracts will be done via two separate procurement exercises, split by technology type - LEVI Tender 1 and LEVI Tender 2. Service Providers can bid for any of the two opportunities but cannot win both.

LEVI Tender 1 involves the provision of residential charge points both on-street and in

hubs (car parks and parking areas) at speeds of 7-22kW. The requirements for this are to deliver a minimum of 500 charge points on-street (Group A locations) and 200 in hub locations (Group B locations). This project will be supplier-funded but supported by £1,298,000 of the Council's LEVI grant funding allocation.

LEVI Tender 2 involves the provision of residential charge points specifically within on-street lampposts at speeds of up to 5kW. The requirements for this are to deliver a minimum of 800 charge points on-street (Group A locations). This project will be supplier-funded but supported by £100,000 of the Council's LEVI grant funding allocation.

The contract term for both contracts is 15 years, with the option to extend by 12 months for administrative purposes.

Both opportunities seek to appoint Service Providers who can deliver an end-to-end turnkey solution and demonstrate a commitment to maximising the use of the LEVI funding, whilst also investing in Central Bedfordshire. These partnerships will deliver the objectives of the Central Bedfordshire Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Strategy and meet targets for charge point deployment. Charging infrastructure will be lower-powered and close to residential areas, spread across all settlements in Central Bedfordshire where we have identified need for access to public charging, both now and in the years ahead.

Full details can be found in the suite of tender documents, including access to our detailed analysis and evidence base.

Total value (estimated)

- £24,000,000 excluding VAT
- £28,800,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Contract dates (estimated)

- 1 July 2026 to 30 June 2041
- Possible extension to 30 June 2042
- 16 years

Description of possible extension:

For administrative purposes only

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 31158000 - Chargers
- 31682000 - Electricity supplies
- 45000000 - Construction work
- 51000000 - Installation services (except software)
- 65000000 - Public utilities
- 71000000 - Architectural, construction, engineering and inspection services

Submission

Enquiry deadline

12 December 2025, 11:59pm

Tender submission deadline

9 January 2026, 11:59pm

Submission address and any special instructions

<https://in-tendhost.co.uk/centralbedfordshire/asp/ProjectManage/4733>

Tenders may be submitted electronically

Yes

Languages that may be used for submission

English

Award decision date (estimated)

8 April 2026

Award criteria

Name	Type	Weighting
Technical	Quality	80%
Social Value	Quality	10%
Commercial	Price	10%

Other information

Payment terms

Refer to suite of tender documents

Description of risks to contract performance

Refer to suite of tender documents

Conflicts assessment prepared/revised

Yes

Procedure

Procedure type

Open procedure

Special regime

Concession

Justification for not publishing a preliminary market engagement notice

A Preliminary Market Engagement Notice was not published as the engagement was undertaken prior to the Procurement Act 2023 coming into force

Contracting authority

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