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Public transport costs for both students & staff - Rail & bus passes

The City of Liverpool College

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Scope

Description

This notice relates to the annual transport costs for purchases of rail & bus passes for students and staff for public transport in the Merseyside area using the following providers:

Merseytravel

Merseyrail

Stagecoach Services Ltd

Contract 1. Merseytravel - Public transport costs - students in Merseyside area

Supplier

- MerseyTravel (Ticket Unit)

Contract value

- £906,709.25 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Earliest date the contract will be signed

17 October 2025

Contract dates (estimated)

- 18 October 2025 to 17 October 2026
- Possible extension to 17 October 2027
- 2 years

Description of possible extension:

This would be a rolling extension to ensure travel passes are available for the students attending the College

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 63515000 - Travel services

Contract locations

- UKD7 - Merseyside
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Contract 2. Merseyrail- Public transport costs - students in Merseyside area

Supplier

- MerseyRail

Contract value

- £169,619 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Earliest date the contract will be signed

17 October 2025

Contract dates (estimated)

- 18 October 2025 to 17 October 2026
- Possible extension to 17 October 2027
- 2 years

Description of possible extension:

This would be a rolling extension to ensure travel passes are available for students & staff to get to attend college and work

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 63515000 - Travel services

Contract locations

- UKD7 - Merseyside
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Contract 3. Stagecoach Services Ltd - Public transport costs - students in Merseyside area

Supplier

- STAGECOACH SERVICES LIMITED

Contract value

- £31,806 including VAT

Below the relevant threshold

Earliest date the contract will be signed

17 October 2025

Contract dates (estimated)

- 18 October 2025 to 17 October 2026
- Possible extension to 18 October 2026
- 1 year, 1 day

Description of possible extension:

This would be a rolling extension to ensure travel passes/tokens are available for the students to attend college.

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 63515000 - Travel services

Contract locations

- UKD7 - Merseyside

Participation

Particular suitability

Small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)

Other information

Conflicts assessment prepared/revised

Yes

Procedure

Procedure type

Direct award

Special regime

Concession

Direct award justification

- Single supplier - technical reasons
- Extreme and unavoidable urgency

The rail and bus passes/tokens are provided by the transport facilities available in the Merseyside area for both students and staff.

Suppliers

MerseyRail

- Companies House: 04356933

Rail House Lord Nelson Street

Liverpool

L1 1JF

United Kingdom

Email: apteam@merseyrail.org

Region: UKD72 - Liverpool

Small or medium-sized enterprise (SME): No

Voluntary, community or social enterprise (VCSE): No

Contract 2. Merseyrail- Public transport costs - students in Merseyside area

MerseyTravel (Ticket Unit)

- Companies House: 02027686

PO Box 1976

Liverpool

L69 3HN

United Kingdom

Email: CommercialSales@merseytravel.gov.uk

Region: UKD72 - Liverpool

Small or medium-sized enterprise (SME): No

Voluntary, community or social enterprise (VCSE): No

Contract 1. Merseytravel - Public transport costs - students in Merseyside area

STAGECOACH SERVICES LIMITED

- Companies House: 02381778
- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PGMB-3997-GYTP

One Stockport Exchange

Stockport

SK1 3SW

United Kingdom

Email: business.development@stagecoach.com

Region: UKD35 - Greater Manchester South East

Small or medium-sized enterprise (SME): No

Voluntary, community or social enterprise (VCSE): No

Contract 3. Stagecoach Services Ltd - Public transport costs - students in Merseyside

area

Contracting authority

The City of Liverpool College

- UK Register of Learning Providers (UKPRN number): 10003955
- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PZGX-5416-YRGY

The City of Liverpool College

The Learning Exchange, Liverpool

L1 9DW

United Kingdom

Email: payments@liv-coll.ac.uk

Region: UKD72 - Liverpool

Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government