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Planning

## **Preliminary Market Engagement Demand Responsive Transport (DRT) In North East Lincolnshire**

North East Lincolnshire Borough Council

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### **Scope**

### **Reference**

104536

### **Description**

The Authority is seeking to appoint a new delivery partner for the continuation of the Phone 'n' Ride Service from 1 October 2026 for period of up to three years.

The Authority is keen to consider what other options might be open to it. The purpose of this pre market engagement is to seek views from the market regarding what it considers might be alternative solutions to deliver the Phone 'n' Ride demand responsive transport (DRT) services.

The Authority is open to alternative delivery options and isn't committed to the current way or working, providing the desired outcomes continue whilst providing value for money.

The Authority has identified the following service objectives for the ongoing provision of

the service.

- Focus on service provisions for those local residents who do not have access to mainstream bus services.
- Focus on improving access to education, training and employment opportunities.
- Investigate operating models and potential efficiencies that support the long-term sustainability of the service.
- Increase patronage amongst fare paying passengers.

### **Contract dates (estimated)**

- 1 October 2026 to 30 September 2031
- Possible extension to 30 September 2033
- 7 years

### **Main procurement category**

Services

### **CPV classifications**

- 60100000 - Road transport services

### **Contract locations**

- UKE13 - North and North East Lincolnshire
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## **Engagement**

### **Engagement deadline**

19 November 2025

### **Engagement process description**

The PME information can be found on the Council's e tendering portal YORtender. <https://uk.eu-supply.com/login.asp?B=YORTENDER> Under the reference 104536.

Submissions and any clarifications are to be submitted via YORtender.

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## **Participation**

### **Particular suitability**

- Small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)
  - Voluntary, community and social enterprises (VCSE)
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## **Submission**

### **Publication date of tender notice (estimated)**

12 January 2026

## Contracting authority

### North East Lincolnshire Borough Council

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PXNN-3676-XCQV

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Region: UKE13 - North and North East Lincolnshire

Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government