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Tender

Bus Services - March 2026

Tyne and Wear Passenger Transport Executive T/A Nexus

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Scope

Reference

NEX25/80

Description

Invitation to provide subsidised local bus services throughout Tyne and Wear.

This tender will include lots for several potential contracts of 1 year with no option for extension.

In accordance with Nexus terms and conditions of contract applicable, contract(s) will be paid in monthly instalments over the duration of the contract.

A sum of money will be retained against initial scheduled payment and held until end of contract period. Penalties for poor performance will be applied as appropriate and as described in the contract documentation. Joint and several liabilities will apply.

This tender accepts group bids.

Total value (estimated)

- £4,986,102.21 excluding VAT
- £5,983,322.66 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Contract dates (estimated)

- 22 March 2026 to 20 March 2027
- 11 months, 30 days

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

• 60112000 - Public road transport services

Contract locations

• UKC - North East (England)

Lot constraints

Description of how multiple lots may be awarded:

Please refer to the ITT documentation

Lot 1. Contract 1006 (Service 18)

Description

Bus service supplying routes to and from:

Service 18 - Walker to Benton

Lot value (estimated)

- £184,240.84 excluding VAT
- £221,089.01 including VAT

Same for all lots

CPV classifications, contract locations and contract dates are shown in the Scope section, because they are the same for all lots.

Lot 2. Contract 1051 (Service 19)

Description

Bus service supplying routes to and from:

Bus service 19 - Killingworth to and from North Shields

Lot value (estimated)

- £738,149.50 excluding VAT
- £885,779.40 including VAT

Same for all lots

CPV classifications, contract locations and contract dates are shown in the Scope section, because they are the same for all lots.

Lot 3. Contract 1007 (Service 19, 19A, 335)

Description

Bus services serving routes to:

Service 19 - Killingworth to and from North Shields

Service 19A - Cramlington to and from North Shields

Service 335 - Killingworth to and from Hadrian Park

Lot value (estimated)

- £80,676 excluding VAT
- £96,811.20 including VAT

Same for all lots

Lot 4. Contract 1008 (service 32 and 32A)

Description

Bus Route service for routes:

Service 32 - Walker to North Kenton

Service 32A - Walker to North Kenton

Lot value (estimated)

- £1,011,392.80 excluding VAT
- £1,213,671.36 including VAT

Same for all lots

CPV classifications, contract locations and contract dates are shown in the Scope section, because they are the same for all lots.

Lot 5. Contract 1009 (Service 35)

Description

Bus service supplying routes to and from:

Service 35 - Newcastle to Fawdon

Lot value (estimated)

• £40,594 excluding VAT

• £48,712.80 including VAT

Same for all lots

CPV classifications, contract locations and contract dates are shown in the Scope section, because they are the same for all lots.

Lot 6. Contract 1013 (Service 54)

Description

Bus route serving:

Service 54 - Newcastle to Whitley Bay

Lot value (estimated)

- £105,415 excluding VAT
- £126,498 including VAT

Same for all lots

CPV classifications, contract locations and contract dates are shown in the Scope section, because they are the same for all lots.

Lot 7. Contract 1005 (Service 301)

Description

Bus Service route:

Service 301 - Whitley Bay to Metrocentre

Lot value (estimated)

- £1,074,771.60 excluding VAT
- £1,289,725.92 including VAT

Same for all lots

CPV classifications, contract locations and contract dates are shown in the Scope section, because they are the same for all lots.

Lot 8. Contract 1015 (Service 317)

Description

Bus Route supplying services from:

Service 317 - Wallsend to Whitley Bay

Lot value (estimated)

- £440,155.60 excluding VAT
- £528,186.72 including VAT

Same for all lots

Lot 9. Contract 1029 (Service 333)

Description

Bus service supplying services to:

Service 333 - North Shields Ferry to North Shields

Lot value (estimated)

- £48,116.49 excluding VAT
- £57,739.79 including VAT

Same for all lots

CPV classifications, contract locations and contract dates are shown in the Scope section, because they are the same for all lots.

Lot 10. Contract 1016 (Service 341 and 342)

Description

Bus service supplying through areas:

Service 341 - Hadrian Park to Kingston

Service 342 - Kingston to Hadrian Park

Lot value (estimated)

• £77,444.14 excluding VAT

• £92,932.97 including VAT

Same for all lots

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Lot 11. Contract 1017 (Service 350 and 351)

Description

Bus service supplying service routes to:

Service 350 and 351 - Newcastle to Whitley Bay

Lot value (estimated)

- £39,337 excluding VAT
- £47,204.40 including VAT

Same for all lots

CPV classifications, contract locations and contract dates are shown in the Scope section, because they are the same for all lots.

Lot 12. Contract 1001 (Service 599)

Description

Bus service supplying routes to:

Service 599 - Hebburn to Sunderland

Lot value (estimated)

- £164,417.80 excluding VAT
- £197,301.36 including VAT

Same for all lots

CPV classifications, contract locations and contract dates are shown in the Scope section, because they are the same for all lots.

Lot 13. Contract 1025 (Service 653)

Description

Bus service supplying routes to:

Service 653 - Freeman Hospital to Battle Hill

Lot value (estimated)

- £48,379.10 excluding VAT
- £58,054.92 including VAT

Same for all lots

Lot 14. Contract 1002 (Service 787)

Description

Bus Service supplying routes to:

Service 787 - Airport to Byker

Lot value (estimated)

- £153,802.54 excluding VAT
- £184,563.05 including VAT

Same for all lots

CPV classifications, contract locations and contract dates are shown in the Scope section, because they are the same for all lots.

Lot 15. Contract 1030 (Service S1)

Description

Bus service supplying routes to:

Service S1: Four Lane Ends to Moorfields

Lot value (estimated)

- £156,096.40 excluding VAT
- £187,315.68 including VAT

Same for all lots

CPV classifications, contract locations and contract dates are shown in the Scope section, because they are the same for all lots.

Lot 16. Contract 1021 (Service W1 and W2)

Description

Bus service supplying routes to:

Service W1 and W2 - Whitley Bay Loop

Lot value (estimated)

- £41,995.40 excluding VAT
- £50,394.48 including VAT

Same for all lots

CPV classifications, contract locations and contract dates are shown in the Scope section, because they are the same for all lots.

Lot 17. Contract 1022 (Service X46)

Description

Bus service supplying routes to:

Service X46 - Newcastle to Great Park

Lot value (estimated)

- £401,147.60 excluding VAT
- £481,377.12 including VAT

Same for all lots

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Lot 18. Contract 1023 (Service X78)

Description

Bus service supplying routes to:

Service X78 - Newcastle to Ponteland

Lot value (estimated)

- £179,970.40 excluding VAT
- £215,964.48 including VAT

Same for all lots

Participation

Legal and financial capacity conditions of participation

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Lot 10. Contract 1016 (Service 341 and 342)

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Technical ability conditions of participation

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Particular suitability

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Small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)

Submission

Enquiry deadline

8 December 2025, 12:00pm

Submission type

Tenders

Tender submission deadline

19 December 2025, 12:00pm

Submission address and any special instructions

Please submit your tenders via the website below:

https://www.open-uk.org/

Tenders may be submitted electronically

Yes

Languages that may be used for submission

English

Award decision date (estimated)

2 February 2026

Award criteria

Name	Description	Туре	Weighting
Cost	Please refer to the	Cost	100%
	tender documentation	on	

Other information

Payment terms

Please see tender documents

Description of risks to contract performan

Please see tender documents

Conflicts assessment prepared/revised

Yes

Procedure

Procedure type

Competitive flexible procedure

Special regime

Utilities

Competitive flexible procedure description

Single stage process where Potential Suppliers require to satisfy minimum criteria (such stated in the procurement documents). Only Tender Responses that satisfy minimum criteria will have their bids evaluated.

Procurement documents are available free of charge at www.open-uk.org

Documents

Associated tender documents

https://www.open-uk.org/

Please refer to the tender documentation

Technical specifications to be met

https://www.open-uk.org/

Please refer to the tender documentation

Contracting authority

Tyne and Wear Passenger Transport Executive T/A Nexus

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