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Tender

## **Provision and Operation of Local Bus Services across South Yorkshire**

South Yorkshire Mayoral Combined Authority

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### **Scope**

### **Reference**

ProContract Ref: DN800777

### **Description**

South Yorkshire Mayoral Combined Authority (SYMCA) are currently seeking tenders from companies who are interested in operating local bus including services in South Yorkshire.

Participants are asked to note this opportunity is not the planned franchise opportunities which will be launched in 2026.

### **Total value (estimated)**

- £23,500,000 excluding VAT

- £28,200,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

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

- 12 April 2026 to 4 September 2027
- Possible extension to 4 September 2029
- 3 years, 4 months, 23 days

Description of possible extension:

The routes advertised in this opportunity will form what is tendered during the SYMCA Bus Franchise Programme.

It is planned that the routes linked to the above will commence 5 Sept 2027 but these will be in a phased approach.

### **Main procurement category**

Services

### **CPV classifications**

- 60170000 - Hire of passenger transport vehicles with driver

### **Contract locations**

- UKE3 - South Yorkshire
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## Participation

### Legal and financial capacity conditions of participation

N/A

### Particular suitability

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

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## Submission

### Enquiry deadline

7 January 2026, 5:00pm

### Tender submission deadline

14 January 2026, 12:00pm

### Submission address and any special instructions

All clarifications and tender documents are available via ProContract. The project reference is ProContract Ref: DN800777.

<https://procontract.due-north.com/>

## **Tenders may be submitted electronically**

Yes

## **Languages that may be used for submission**

English

## **Award decision date (estimated)**

9 February 2026

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## **Award criteria**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Type</b>	<b>Weighting</b>
Price	Social Value	Price	90%
Quality - Social Value	Social Value	Quality	10%

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## **Other information**

### **Conflicts assessment prepared/revised**

Yes

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## **Procedure**

## Procedure type

Open procedure

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## Documents

### Associated tender documents

<https://procontract.due-north.com>

All documents are available via ProContract tender portal.

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## Contracting authority

### South Yorkshire Mayoral Combined Authority

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PDBT-6675-QXPN

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Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government