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Tender

PL0066 - ECC Passenger Transport DPS 2023

Essex County Council

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Scope

Reference

DN694898

Description

Essex County Council invite suppliers to apply to join the Dynamic Purchasing System (DPS) for the provision of Passenger Transport Services for Essex County Council and Thurrock Council. This Dynamic Purchasing System has been split into the Categories listed below :

Category 1 - SEND Education Transport: Transport of Passengers with SEND requirements to education, care provision or other locations as required.

Category 2 - Mainstream Education Transport: Transport to Mainstream primary, secondary, or further education locations.

Category 3 - Adult Social Care Transport: Transport of adults with eligible needs to day care/day centre/education provision or other locations as required.

Category 4 - Local Bus and Demand Responsive Transport: Provision of Local Bus and DRT services within Essex.

Category 5 - Ad-Hoc Requirements: Provision of impromptu or unprecedented transport for Adult Social Care, SEND, Mainstream or Children's Social Care Passengers.

Total value (estimated)

- £38,000,000 excluding VAT
- £40,000,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Contract dates (estimated)

- 20 February 2026 to 2 September 2026
- 6 months, 11 days

Main procurement category

Services

Contract locations

- UKC - North East (England)

Not the same for all lots

CPV classifications are shown in Lot sections, because they are not the same for all lots.

Lot LOT001. Public and Non-Scheduled Passenger Transport Services

Description

This lot covers the provision of public road transport services, taxi services, and non-scheduled passenger transport services. This may include, but is not limited to, scheduled bus services, community transport, demand-responsive transport, and private hire services.

Lot value (estimated)

- £9,500,000 excluding VAT
- £10,000,000 including VAT

CPV classifications

- 60000000 - Transport services (excl. Waste transport)
- 60112000 - Public road transport services
- 60120000 - Taxi services
- 60140000 - Non-scheduled passenger transport

Same for all lots

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

Lot LOT002. Public and Non-Scheduled Road Transport Services

Description

This lot covers the provision of public road transport services and non-scheduled passenger transport. This may include services such as local bus services, coach hire, and community transport services.

Lot value (estimated)

- £9,500,000 excluding VAT
- £10,000,000 including VAT

CPV classifications

- 60112000 - Public road transport services
- 60140000 - Non-scheduled passenger transport

Same for all lots

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

Lot LOT003. Comprehensive Passenger Transport and Vehicle Hire Services

Description

This lot covers a comprehensive range of passenger transport services, including public road transport, taxi services, special-purpose transport, non-scheduled transport, and the

hire of passenger transport vehicles with a driver. This may include a combination of scheduled, on-demand, and specialized transport solutions to meet a variety of needs.

Lot value (estimated)

- £9,500,000 excluding VAT
- £10,000,000 including VAT

CPV classifications

- 60112000 - Public road transport services
- 60120000 - Taxi services
- 60130000 - Special-purpose road passenger-transport services
- 60140000 - Non-scheduled passenger transport
- 60170000 - Hire of passenger transport vehicles with driver

Same for all lots

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

Lot LOT004. Public and Special-Purpose Road Transport Services

Description

This lot covers the provision of both public road transport services and special-purpose road passenger transport services. This may include services such as scheduled bus services, school transport, transport for people with disabilities, and other specialized transport services tailored to specific needs.

Lot value (estimated)

- £9,500,000 excluding VAT
- £10,000,000 including VAT

CPV classifications

- 60112000 - Public road transport services
- 60130000 - Special-purpose road passenger-transport services

Same for all lots

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

Participation

Technical ability conditions of participation

Lot LOT001. Public and Non-Scheduled Passenger Transport Services

Lot LOT002. Public and Non-Scheduled Road Transport Services

Lot LOT003. Comprehensive Passenger Transport and Vehicle Hire Services

Lot LOT004. Public and Special-Purpose Road Transport Services

Supplier must have experience in supplying similar goods.

Particular suitability

Lot LOT001. Public and Non-Scheduled Passenger Transport Services

Lot LOT002. Public and Non-Scheduled Road Transport Services

Lot LOT003. Comprehensive Passenger Transport and Vehicle Hire Services

Lot LOT004. Public and Special-Purpose Road Transport Services

Small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)

Submission

Enquiry deadline

9 January 2026, 3:53am

Deadline for requests to participate

9 January 2026, 3:53am

Electronic auction will be used

Yes

Submission address and any special instructions

<https://your-etendering-platform.example.com>

Tenders may be submitted electronically

Yes

Languages that may be used for submission

English

Award decision date (estimated)

8 February 2026

Award criteria

Name	Description	Type	Weighting
Price	Lowest price offered.	Cost	90%
Quality Response	Lowest price offered.	Quality	10%

Other information

Conflicts assessment prepared/revised

Yes

Procedure

Procedure type

Open procedure

Contracting authority

Essex County Council

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PLQT-1648-GBZT

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Organisation type: Public authority - central government