

DERBYSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

CABINET MEETING

30 September 2014

Joint Report of the Strategic Director for Economy, Transport and Environment, the Strategic Director for Children and Younger Adults, and the Strategic Director for Adult Care

**DYNAMIC PURCHASING SYSTEM FOR TAXI AND SMALL
VEHICLE SPECIALIST PASSENGER TRANSPORT SERVICES
(JOBS, ECONOMY AND TRANSPORT)**

(1) **Purpose of the Report** To seek Cabinet approval for the establishment of a Dynamic Purchasing System to procure taxi and small vehicle specialist passenger transport services.

(2) **Information and Analysis**

Background

At the Cabinet Meeting on 2 June 2014 it was agreed to establish a Dynamic Purchasing System (DPS) for procuring specialist transport services for students with special educational need and Adult Care clients who participate in day care opportunities (Minute No.195/14 refers). The report explained that, following a review by officers from the relevant Departments, it had been concluded that DPS provided a more appropriate procurement method than the existing Framework.

A DPS is a completely electronic system which is procured in accordance with Regulation 20 of the Public Contracts Regulations 2006 which may be established to purchase commonly used goods, works or services. It remains open throughout its duration (no more than four years) for the admission of any contractor which satisfies the selection criteria specified by the Authority and submits an indicative tender to the Authority which complies with the specification. The DPS will help to maintain healthy competition for County Council contracts and provides a process whereby contracts for specialist transport services can be obtained at the best possible price.

DPS Tender

The DPS was advertised as a tender in the Official Journal of the European Union (OJEU) and Source Derbyshire. A total of 34 new suppliers (operators) submitted electronic applications via the Council's 'Due North' procurement system. Thirty three submissions met the published criteria and quality

standards. One tender did not meet the published criteria and was rejected. The list of successful new operators is attached as Appendix A.

Existing Framework Agreement Suppliers

The total number of operators on the existing Framework from 2013 was originally 250 but has reduced to 243. Members and officers were keen to minimise the administrative burden on these operators and it was decided that their data would be transferred over to the new DPS, provided that existing operators confirmed acceptance of the transfer of their details, and indicated if there had been any material changes to their company since 2013 and provided up-to-date details on insurance, vehicles and personnel.

The list of the existing operators is attached as Appendix B.

Outcome

Both the tendering process for new suppliers and the transfers for existing operators have now been completed.

The new DPS has a combined total of 276 operators, 243 existing ones (from the Framework), and 33 new ones from the recent DPS tender. The vast majority of these operators are small and medium size enterprises (SMEs) local to Derbyshire.

It is envisaged that if Cabinet approves the establishment of the DPS, it will start on 20 October 2014 and, at this point, the Framework will be closed down. The DPS will operate for four years until October 2018.

There will be no additional service expenditure in introducing this change, establishing the DPS, and transferring the Framework suppliers over.

(3) **Financial Considerations** The overall contract value is £48 million over the four year period, 20 October 2014 to 19 October 2018 (i.e. £12 million per year) and the costs will met from the Children and Younger Adults and Adult Care revenue budgets.

(4) **Legal Considerations** Under the Education Act 1996, the Authority is required to make suitable home to school travel arrangements for eligible children of compulsory school age, including children who live beyond walking distance from school, and children with special educational needs, disabilities and mobility problems who live within walking distance but cannot reasonably be expected to walk to school. The Authority must also make such transport arrangements for persons of sixth form age and adult learners as it considers necessary, and having regard to the Authority's duties to secure education and training opportunities for young adults subject to learning difficulty assessment.

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The Chronically Sick and Disabled Persons Act 1970 requires local authorities in certain circumstances to provide access to services for prescribed groups of disabled people.

The DPS has been procured in accordance with the procedure set out in Regulation 20 of the Public Contracts Regulations 2006. It will remain open throughout its duration for the admission of any contractor which satisfies the selection criteria specified by the Council and submits an indicative tender to the Council which complies with the specification. The indicative tender must set out the terms on which the contractor would be prepared to enter into a contract with the Council should the Council award a contract under the DPS to that contractor.

When services are required, there will be a 'mini-competition' between suppliers on the DPS and, if more than one provider can meet the need, the lowest cost supplier will normally be selected, unless a specialist supplier or specific care arrangements are required.

Services commissioned via the DPS will be monitored for contract compliance.

The DPS contains provisions whereby notice can be given to terminate a contract at no cost to the Council.

(5) **Human Resources Considerations** There will be a short term increase in workload to transfer the existing Framework onto the DPS that can be met from existing resources.

In preparing this report the relevance of the following factors has been considered: prevention of crime and disorder, equality and diversity, environmental, health, property and transport considerations.

(6) **Key Decision** Yes.

(7) **Call-In** Is it required that call-in be waived in respect of the decisions proposed in the report? No.

(8) **Background Papers** Held on file within the Economy, Transport and Environment Department. Officer contact details – Deborah Oddy, extension 36743.

(9) **OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATIONS** That Cabinet approves the establishment of a Dynamic Purchasing System for taxi and small vehicle passenger transport services for four years, as outlined in the report.

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List of New Suppliers on the DPS

APPENDIX A

53 Taxis
24 x 7 Ltd
Albatross Cars Ltd
Ashbourne Community Transport
Ashbourne Taxis
Blackwell Travel
B'n'G Taxis
Edward Gillespie Taxis Services
F4Control Ltd
First Class Cars
'A' Cabs
Grant Taxis
Abid Hussain
Hill Top Cars
Hugh Clifford
JVJ Industries Ltd
Keith's Private Hire
Kelsey's
Mackworth Cars
Mark's Minicoach Hire
Matlock Taxis
Metro Taxis Ltd
Neil's Taxi
Pinxton and Normo Taxis
Portland Private Hire
SA & B Mason
Mr Lehal
Shelley's Taxis
Floyd Elliott
TM Private Hire Ltd
Tower Cars
Goyt Valley Travel
Uttoxeter Taxis

APPENDIX B

List of Existing Suppliers

1st Call Taxis	Bakewell & Eyam Community
1st Class Cabs Killamarsh	Transport
25 Cars and Minibuses	Belper Dial a Cab
38 Links (WB) Ltd	Big Nigel's
652's Taxi & Private Hire	Bloors Private Hire
68 Taxis	Bond Cars
75 Taxis Ltd	Brailo's Ltd
A Line (Chesterfield)Taxis Ltd	Bryan's Taxis
A S Khatker	C & C Taxi Services
A Star Travel	C-Gull Taxi
A & A Taxis Ltd (Ajaib)	C & N Taxis
A & L Travel Ltd	Carver Cars of Chesterfield
A+ Luxury Travel	CBD Taxis
A1 Taxis Ashby	Celia's Taxis
A2B Cars (Notts)	Central Travel (Woodville) T/A
A2B Taxis (Glossop)	Bagnalls
A2Z Cars	Central Cars (Chesterfield) Ltd
Ace of Mansfield Ltd	Central Travel (Sheffield) Ltd
ADS Travel	Central Taxis (Long Eaton)
Afzal Taxi	Chapel One Taxis
Airlux Travel	Charles Watson Taxis
Airport Transfers Derby Ltd	Chesterfield Connect Taxis
A J's Private Hire	Chesterfield Taxi Service
A K Cars	Chris Taylor
Alan Dickinson	C J Cars
Albany Taxis	Clowes Coaches
Alfie's Taxis	Clowne & District Community
Alfreton Cars inc. Sovereign	Transport
Executive Cars	Coalville Yellow Cabs Ltd
Allied Taxis	Connect Mini Travel
Alpha Cars & Minibuses	County Cars Derby
(Swad)	Craig Ritchie Taxis
Amber Taxis Alfreton Ltd	Crescent Cars (Buxton) Ltd
Amin Taxi	Cross Cars Ltd
Andrew Piper T/A Oasis	Crown Cars (Derby) Ltd
Amvale Ltd	Community Transport for Town
Andrew Owens Private Hire	& County (CT4TC)
Andy's Taxis	Daley's Cars
A R Travel	Dave's Private Hire
Associated Taxis	David Hudson Cabs (Derby)
Astra Taxis	Ltd
Avenger Taxis	David Madin
Babar Ali Taxi Service	David Rathbone Private Hire
	Dean's Taxis

Public

Dee Jay Taxis	John Bailey
Derby Cars	John's Taxis (Matlock)
Derby Taxis	Joseph Allen & Sons
Derwent Cars Ltd	Keggy's Taxis
Diamond Private Hire	Keith's Taxis (Glossop)
DJG Taxis	Kestrel Travel
Dodger's Taxis	Kev's Taxis
Don's Taxis	KLD Taxis
Door 2 Door	K P Cars
Double Four Taxis	K's Taxis
Dovelin Cars Ltd	L P Taxis
Duckmanton Mini Bus Hire Ltd	L E Taxis & Minibuses
Elite Cars	Link Travel
Erewash Community Transport	Lynx Taxis (Dean Bullock)
Eric's Taxis	M & M Taxis
Eurocab 2000 Ltd	M A Taxi Travel
Express Taxis	Madge's Taxis
F E Khan	Maggie's Private Hire
First Class Chesterfield	Malc Gee Private Hire
Fred's of Ilkeston	MK Taxis (Mark Kimberley)
G&S Private Hire Ltd	Mark's Taxi (Mark Ward)
Galaxy Travel	Mars Cars Ltd
George's Taxi	May Gurney (now Kier Services Ltd)
Glossop Community Transport	Mazza's Taxis
Glossop Taxis	M C Travel Ltd
Goldline Taxis	Mc's Taxis (McPhelim)
H-Cars	Michael's Taxis
Here and There Taxis	Mike's Taxis
High Peak Taxis	M K Cars
High Street Taxis	Mohammed Razaq
HMB Cars	Mr B's Taxis
Ian Lord Minibus Services	Mr Pervaiz Raja
Ian's Private Hire	Meadow Taxi (Steve Moulson)
Imran Khan	MRP Taxis
In Taxis	N & K Taxis
J B Private Hire	Nat-a-Jack Taxis
J Cars	Naylor's Taxis & Executive Services Ltd
J A Taxis	Near 'n' Far
Jack Lowe (Tupton Taxis)	Nessfield Mini Coaches
JAM Taxi Services Ltd	New Street Taxis
Jam Taxis (Paul Tomlinson)	Nick Coley
James Kerr	Nico's Cars
Jaz Cars	Noel's Taxis
JBL Taxis	Nutbrook Cars
Jess Bonser	Oaktree Travel
JMS Taxis	
Joel's Private Hire	

Public

Oasis Taxis Mansfield Ltd	Stephen Baker Taxis
(Andrew Piper)	Steve's Taxis - (Dobbin)
Oliver's Cabs	Steven Kowalski
On Time Taxis	Steve's Private Hire (Bourne)
Padtax	Steve's Taxis (Pember)
People's Ability Network	Street Cars (Eckington)
Pat's Private Hire	Susan Bean Taxis
Paul's Taxis (Gerahty)	Swad Cars
Paul's Taxis (Heanor)	Swadlincote Community
P C's Taxis	Transport
P D's Taxis	Tamworth / Atherstone Taxis
Peak Cars (Hognaston)	Taxico and Aimee's Travel
Peak Cars Ltd T/A Al's PH	Taxicoverukltd T/A Chris's
Peter Stone	Taxis
Pete's Taxis (Alfreton)	Terry's Cars Ltd (Swad)
Pete's Taxis (Bakewell)	Terry's Taxis Ltd (Ripley)
P J's Private Hire	The Market Taxis
Premier Cars	The Taxi Centre (Derbyshire)
Premier Hire & taxi (Sandiacre)	Ltd
Ltd	Toad Cars
Quick Cabs Taxis UK Ltd	Tony Mitchell Transport
RA & CE Stokes	Town Taxis
Reddy for Hire Ltd	U S Private Hire
Redline Cars	Usher Cars
Reynolds Cars & Mini Coaches	Valley Airport Services
Rick's Taxis	Viking Coaches.Com Ltd T/A
R K Travel	Viking Coaches
Roger's Taxis	Village Cars & Mini Coaches
Roy Mycock	Ltd
Roy Porter Taxis	Village Cars (S.D.) Ltd
S A Travel	Watchorn Taxis
Safe Cars	Way 2 Travel
Sajad Hussain	Webster's Taxis
Shardlow Cars	Whaley Private Hire
Shaw's Taxis Ltd	Wins Taxis
Sheriden Myers	Yasin Hussain
Shirebrook Cars	Yates Taxis (1998) Ltd
S.mart Cars	Yorky's Private Hire
Spire Cars	Younis Travel
SRCL Ltd T/A ERS Medical	
S T Travel Ltd	