

Reference: RFI 1504020

Request:

Can you please provide me with information on the following category of service (a category of service would be classed as an area of business within the Council, for example Transport or Social Care):

1) Does the Local Authority currently operate any form of supplier framework (a supplier framework would be classed as a list of enrolled and accredited companies or individuals that provide goods or services to the Local Authority) for:-

- a. SEN Transport –
- b. Home to School –
- c. Taxi Services –
- d. Transport for Adult Care –

2) If the Local Authority does operate a supplier framework, when do these frameworks run out? :-

- a. SEN Transport –
- b. Home to School –
- c. Taxi Services –
- d. Transport for Adult Care –

3) If the Council does operate a supplier framework, how many suppliers are listed on the framework?:-

- a. SEN Transport –
- b. Home to School –
- c. Taxi Services –
- d. Transport for Adult Care –

The information in answer to Qs 1-3 is exempt in answer to this request under section 21, information accessible to the applicant by other means, as supplier frameworks is held in the public domain on the NEPO portal at:

<http://www.nepoportal.org>

4) Does the Council own and operate an internal fleet of vehicles that is utilised for services such as SEN Transport or Taxi Services?

No

5) If so, please can you provide with the size of the fleet.

N/A

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6) During the financial year of 2014/15, what has been the actual spend of:-

- a. SEN Transport- £1,941,421
- b. Home to School – £90,733
- c. Taxi Services – We are unable to provide a response as not all payments are made to Taxi Providers, some payments are made directly to clients in response to emergency funding.
- d. Transport for Adult Care – £307,615.60 Adult Transport service £659.25 other Adult services

7) During the financial year of 2014/15, what has been the actual spend of “spot purchases” or Transport placements that were not purchased on the supplier framework (if one does exist):-

- a. SEN Transport-
 - b. Home to School –
 - c. Taxi Services –
 - d. Transport for Adult Care –
- Information is not held in the format requested.

8) Does the Council utilise a technology (this could be either a piece of software or computer programme) to help commission Transport Services (these would be defined as SEN Transport, Home to School etc) for a citizen?

We use an Access database.

9) If so, when does the contract for these services expire and what has been the cost for the contract?

- a. Expiration date –
 - b. Cost –
- N/A see answer to Q8.

10) What is the size of the team that works within the Transport Department of the Council?

There is no single Transport Department; elements of these services are managed across a number of teams, which also have other non-transport related responsibilities.

11) Please can you provide me with a hierarchy of the team that comprises the Transport Department with names and job roles?

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