

**TENDER FOR FLEET PROCUREMENT  
ON BEHALF OF RUTLAND COUNTY COUNCIL**

**Specification – Rutland County Council Fleet Procurement - LUF**

**1. Introduction**

Following the successful award of grant monies for Levelling Up Funds (LUF) from, Rutland County Council (RCC) is seeking to place a one-off order for 11 minibuses. 8 diesel and 3 EV's to deliver passenger transport services in the county.

**2. Background**

The intention is for RCC to operate a countywide bus network including electric town bus services and Demand Responsive Transport (DRT) services to meet demand as detailed in the LUF bid document.

**3. Scope**

- All vehicles would need to be of a specification that would allow them to be driven by a D1 licence holder as they will not be used for hire or reward.
- Vehicles will not be used on registered services with the Traffic Commission.
- All vehicles must be wheelchair accessible without the need for removing seats so as the 16- seat passenger capacity can be maintained.
- The 3 electric vehicles will be used within the two market towns of Oakham and Uppingham and diesel vehicles will be used within the rural areas.
- All vehicles will need to be delivered to Rutland County Council simultaneously and within eighteen months of the date of order so that they are all available to be used immediately.

**4. Quality**

The vehicles will need to have at least a 3-year warranty period with the supplier required to collect and deliver to and from RCC free of charge for all warranty issues within that period.

**5. Vehicle Specification**

- 11 minibuses, all being suitable to be driven by a D1 licence holder.
- 3 fully electric minibuses
- 8 to be diesel powered minibuses of at least euro 6 level.
- 17- seat capacity inc. driver, all passenger seats to be in rear saloon
- Rear saloon to be accessible by driver from their seat.
- Dragoon blue in colour (or close alternative)

- Drivers aircon
- Full height clear protection behind driver
- Wheelchair accessible via front side ramp with space for wheelchair.
- Electric entry door
- Rear saloon heater
- Grab handles on seats
- Twin lens door mirrors electrically adjustable with the upper lens heated.
- Driver's seat with lumbar and height adjustment
- Steering wheel with height adjustment
- Kite marked safety glass.
- Rear saloon fully soft trimmed in Transport Grade Hi Flex velour carpet
- Roof trimmed and insulated.
- Rear saloon seats to be clean wipe down vinyl seats with anti-vandal ABS hard plastic seat backs.
- All age 3-point seat belts
- Top sliding openers on saloon windows
- 4 way opening roof vent / escape hatch.
- Nonslip flooring
- Reversing sensors
- Reversing sounder
- Reversing camera
- Saloon lighting day/night
- Tyre pressures marked above each wheel.
- Rutland County Council wording and crest signage on both sides of the vehicle
- Also, the below crest and words needs to have equal prominence on both sides of each vehicle.



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