



Hereford & Worcester Fire Authority

Record of an Authority decision delegated to an Officer as required under Regulation 7 of the Openness of Local Government Bodies Regulation 2014

Subject of decision	Award the supply and delivery of one (1) replacement Breathing Apparatus (BA) Support Vehicle to Mercedes-Benz Vans, in financial year 2023/24. The contract was awarded as a Direct Award under RM6244 Purchase of standard and specialist vehicles Lot 2: Purchase of Light and Medium Commercial Vehicles up to 7.5T from the Crown Commercial Services (CCS), a national public sector procurement framework.
Officer name	Lee Watson
Job title	Assistant Director Assets
Date decision taken	14 th February 2024
Reasons for the decision	Within the Fleet Strategy 2021-2025 all vehicles used by the Service are included in an ongoing planned replacement programme. HWFRS currently operates one large Mercedes Sprinter van for it's Breathing Apparatus Support Vehicle, which is now due for replacement 2023/24, as detailed in the replacement programme. Crown Commercial Services (CCS), RM6244 Purchase of standard and specialist vehicles Lot 2: Purchase of Light and Medium Commercial Vehicles up to 7.5T is a national public sector procurement framework and is the preferred route to market as it offers a wide range of options and suppliers with heavily discounted public sector specific products. This framework also significantly reduces the costs and capacity otherwise required to undertake a full procurement (tender) process. This framework complies with all appropriate and relevant legal requirements. RM6244 Purchase of standard and specialist vehicles Lot 2: Purchase of Light and Medium Commercial Vehicles up to 7.5T Out of the 18 suppliers 5 manufactures were able to meet the specification on the CCS procurement framework. The manufactures were able to offer one or several vehicles which were included in the evaluation process. 11 vans in total were evaluated. Following this initial sift the 11 vehicles were examined and compared against a further set of defined criteria, which included price, warranty, options, and safety rating. This subsequently identified the Mercedes 515 CDI L3 as the only vehicle being able to meet the specification in full.
Details of decision	Following this extensive review it has been established that the Mercedes 515 CDI L3 as the only vehicle being able to meet the specification in full and is there for the preferred supplier.

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	Vehicle Price £49,933.80 PDI & Delivery 1,510 First Registration Fee £55 Total £59,920.56 per vehicle (Inclusive of VAT)
Details of alternative options considered and rejected (if any)	N/A
Any interests declared by a Member or Officer	N/A
Links to relevant background documents or information	Fleet Strategy 2021-2025 Purchase of Standard and Specialist Vehicles - CCS (crowncommercial.gov.uk)

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