

Bus Service Operator Grant 2024/25

SECTION A: BACKGROUND AND CONTACTS

Q1. What is your local transport authority name?

Winchester City Council

Q2. Name of the reporting officer:

Daniel Massey

Q3. Contact phone number of the reporting officer: *

07980732176

Q4. Email address of the reporting officer: *

dmassey@winchester.gov.uk

SECTION B: TENDERED BUS NETWORK

Q5. What have you used the BSOG funds for? Please exclude any other funding provided through the local authority.

If there has been no spend on a particular element, please enter 0.

	£
A. Maintaining current tendered services	45356
B. Increasing level of tendered services	0
C. Investing in alternative services (e.g. community transport, taxi buses)	0
D. Investing in supporting bus infrastructure provision	0
E. Other - Bus	0
F. Non Bus	0
Total	
Please enter total	45356

Q6. If you provided an amount for A, B or C in Q5, did you place specific requirements on operators as a condition of payment (for example, setting a minimum standard of emissions requirement which needed to be met)?

Yes

If yes, please provide details:

In the case of BSOG used by Winchester City Council the whole grant is used in support of the Winchester Park & Ride (P&R) bus service which now has an environmental requirement to be operated by Euro VI buses using HVO low carbon fuel

Q8. Please provide details of which parts of your existing bus service you would not be able to deliver without the financial assistance from BSOG.

If you did not spend any of your BSOG on maintaining current tendered services, please enter N/A. *

Without BSOG we would need to review the hours an/or frequency of the P&R bus service with a view to ensuring we could still provide a cost effective level of service.

Q10. Please provide an estimate of the number of tendered routes supported by BSOG in your LA.

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Q11. In addition to BSOG did your transport authority spend other financial resources on supporting bus services?

Yes

Q12. If you answered yes to question 11, please explain how money over and above BSOG was spent.

If there has been no spend on a particular element, please enter 0.

	£
A. Maintaining current tendered services	1114000
B. Increasing level of tendered services	0
C. Investing in alternative services (e.g. community transport, taxi buses)	50000
D. Community transport run under a section 19 permit	0
E. Network redesign/reconfiguration	0
F. Bus stops/shelters	30000
G. Bus lanes	0
H. Real time journey information	0
I. Other	0
Total:	
Please enter total here:	1194000

Q13. Did you spend all of your allocated BSOG 2024/25 grant? *

Yes

Section C: Additional Survey Questions

Q14. Do you measure outcomes that have resulted from your use of BSOG?

Don't Know

Q15. If yes, what measurable outcomes have resulted from your use of LA BSOG? (Increased patronage, reduced journey times, improved reliability, modal shift, emissions reductions etc.)

The use of low carbon (HVO) fuel for the P&R bus operation is partly as a result of the LA BSOG funding. This has assisted in the Councils Carbon Reduction plans

Q16. How have you ensured value for money in the use of BSOG funding? (Competitive tendering, performance-based contracts, partnership arrangements etc.)

In the case of BSOG used by Winchester City Council the whole grant is used in support of the Winchester Park & Ride (P&R) bus service, this whole service is subject to a competitive tendering exercise. Most recently this was undertaken in 2023 for the new contract which commenced in 2024.

Q17. How have local bus operators been involved in decisions about the use of BSOG funding in your area?

No involvement

Q18. How does your use of BSOG align with your Local Transport Plan objectives or Bus Service Improvement Plan (BSIP; if in reception of BSIP)?

In the case of BSOG used by Winchester City Council the whole grant is used in support of the Winchester Park & Ride (P&R) bus service, this is a core part of the Local Transport Plan for Hampshire/Winchester in that its focus is to remove car based travel from the city centre.

Q19. Are there any specific barriers preventing you from using BSOG more effectively or innovatively?

No, but WCC would be unlikely to use BSOG funding for anything but the P&R bus operation

Q20. Has BSOG funding helped you support services that benefit areas with high levels of deprivation or poor public transport accessibility?

No