

# Bus Service Operator Grant 2022/23

## SECTION A: BACKGROUND AND CONTACTS

Q1. What is your local transport authority name?

Suffolk County Council

Q2. Name of the reporting officer:

Simon Barnett

Q3. Contact phone number of the reporting officer:

01473 265045

Q4. Email address of the reporting officer:

simon.barnett@suffolk.gov.uk

## SECTION B: TENDERED BUS NETWORK

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

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

<b>A. Maintaining current tendered services</b>	£285808.56
<b>B. Increasing level of tendered services</b>	£145558.49
<b>C. Investing in alternative services (e.g. community transport, taxi buses)</b>	£0
<b>D. Investing in supporting bus infrastructure provision</b>	£0
<b>E. Other - Bus</b>	£0
<b>F. Non Bus</b>	£0
<b>Total:</b>	£431367.05

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**

All contracts let in accordance with standard SCC terms and conditions. Latest version can be found at <https://www.suffolkonboard.com/content/download/3zRr1QCDdBzJ/2023-04-07+-Terms+%26+Conditions+of+Contract+V3.0+September+2023.pdf>

## SECTION B: TENDERED BUS NETWORK

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.

Specific payments to various contracts, supporting 10 different routes. General use of funding to offset overspend on local bus budget therefore impact on all 26 current contracts/40 services across Suffolk.

Q9. If you have used BSOG to increase the level of tendered services, please indicate how this has been spent.

Other (please specify):  
Covering increased contract costs to maintain current level of tendered services rather than actually increasing numbers.

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

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## SECTION B: TENDERED BUS NETWORK

Q11. In addition to BSOG did your transport authority spend other financial resources on supporting bus services? Please exclude any funding from Bus Recovery Grant.

Yes

**If yes, please state the amount spent (excluding Bus Recovery Grant)**  
2,301,645.38

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

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

<b>A. Maintaining current tendered services</b>	£965800
<b>B. Increasing level of tendered services</b>	£0
<b>C. Investing in alternative services (e.g. community transport, taxi buses)</b>	£99612
<b>D. Community transport run under a section 19 permit</b>	£765000
<b>E. Network redesign/reconfiguration</b>	£0
<b>F. Bus stops/shelters</b>	£180997.98
<b>G. Bus lanes</b>	£0
<b>H. Real time journey information</b>	£109679.16
<b>I. Other</b>	£180556.24
<b>Total:</b>	<u>£2301645.38</u>

**If you selected 'Other' , please give details:**

Maintenance and Business Rates for two Park & Ride sites.

Approx £50,000 income generated from charges to utility companies for bus stop suspensions and hire of Park & Ride sites.

NOTE: Home to school transport costs not included - total for these in 2022/23 of £36.6million

Q13. Did you spend all of your allocated BSOG 2022/23 grant?

No

**If no, what are your plans for the carry-over funds?**

Refurbishment and upgrade of Real Time information screens.