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Tender

Provision of Schools Catering Services

LIFT SCHOOLS

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Scope

Reference

T281-ITT

Description

Provision of school meals and additional catering services at Lift Schools , in accordance with all relevant statutory requirements , good practice guidelines and to provide good quality, nutritious meals at an affordable price. The service will be an integral part of the school day where pupils will be able to take a nourishing meal in a pleasant and orderly environment which aids in curriculum attainment.

Total value (estimated)

- £95,000,000 excluding VAT
- £97,000,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Contract dates (estimated)

- 1 September 2026 to 31 August 2031
- Possible extension to 1 September 2033
- 7 years, 1 day

Description of possible extension:

1 Plus 1

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 55524000 - School catering services
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Lot 1. North Region

Description

Schools in our North region as described in Tender documents

Lot value (estimated)

- £0 excluding VAT
- £0 including VAT

Same for all lots

CPV classifications and contract dates are shown in the Scope section, because they are the same for all lots.

Lot 2. Southwest Region

Description

Schools in our Southwest region as described in Tender documents

Lot value (estimated)

- £0 excluding VAT
- £0 including VAT

Same for all lots

CPV classifications and contract dates are shown in the Scope section, because they are the same for all lots.

Lot 3. Midlands Region

Description

Schools in our Midlands region as described in Tender documents

Lot value (estimated)

- £0 excluding VAT
- £0 including VAT

Same for all lots

CPV classifications and contract dates are shown in the Scope section, because they are the same for all lots.

Lot 4. London & South

Description

Schools in our London & South region as described in Tender documents

Lot value (estimated)

- £0 excluding VAT
- £0 including VAT

Same for all lots

CPV classifications and contract dates are shown in the Scope section, because they are the same for all lots.

Lot 5. East Region

Description

Schools in our East region as described in Tender documents

Lot value (estimated)

- £0 excluding VAT
- £0 including VAT

Same for all lots

CPV classifications and contract dates are shown in the Scope section, because they are the same for all lots.

Submission

Enquiry deadline

10 February 2026, 12:00pm

Tender submission deadline

16 February 2026, 12:00pm

Submission address and any special instructions

<https://in-tendhost.co.uk/educationportal>

Tenders may be submitted electronically

Yes

Languages that may be used for submission

English

Award decision date (estimated)

30 April 2026

Recurring procurement

Publication date of next tender notice (estimated): 5 January 2033

Award criteria

Name	Description	Type
Simple description	Lift Schools will base the award of the Contract on the most advantageous tender. At the highest level, value for money in respect of this ITT will be divided into three high-level award criteria: a. Charges (cost) Weighted 30% b. Technical Evaluation (Quality) National Weighted 25% Technical Evaluation (Quality) Regional Weighted 25%. C. Supplier Client Visits Primary Weighted 10% Supplier Client Visits Secondary Weighted 10% Each of these high level criteria will be assessed separately, using the methods described in this document. At the end of the evaluation the three marks will be brought together (using the above weightings) to result in an overall percentage score. The Tenderer (s), per region , with the highest overall score will, providing it meets the requirement and providing Lift Schools decides to proceed, be awarded the contract.	Price

Weighting description

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- b. Technical Evaluation (Quality) National Weighted 25%
- Technical Evaluation (Quality) Regional Weighted 25%.

C. Supplier Client Visits Primary Weighted 10%

Supplier Client Visits Secondary Weighted 10%

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Other information

Conflicts assessment prepared/revised

Yes

Procedure

Procedure type

Open procedure

Special regime

Light touch

Documents

Associated tender documents

<https://in-tendhost.co.uk/educationportal>

All Tender documentation can be found on the above Link.

Contracting authority

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Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government