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## **Southwark Council – Framework for nursery, primary and secondary school food service**

Southwark Council

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### **Section I: Contracting authority**

#### **I.1) Name and addresses**

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United Kingdom

**Region code**

UKI6 - Outer London – South

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://www.southwark.gov.uk>

**I.3) Communication**

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

**I.4) Type of the contracting authority**

Regional or local authority

**I.5) Main activity**

Health

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**Section II: Object**

**II.1) Scope of the procurement**

**II.1.1) Title**

Southwark Council – Framework for nursery, primary and secondary school food service

Reference number

DfE case reference - 002747

**II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 55524000 - School catering services

**II.1.3) Type of contract**

## Services

### II.1.4) Short description

Southwark Council intends to undertake a procurement exercise to implement a catering services framework for nursery, primary and secondary schools within the London Borough of Southwark.

The aims of the framework include:

- Continued improvement of nutritional quality and consistency of school meals across Southwark
- Tackling disadvantage and reducing inequalities
- Enhancing social value through job creation for local people, payment of London Living Wage (LLW) and supporting the local economy
- Realising the opportunities for meeting the Council's social value, food security, environmental sustainability and climate emergency agenda.

Within Southwark, there are currently 4 nursery schools, 74 primary schools (including 3 special schools) and 25 secondary schools (including 5 special schools):

- The value of the school meals market in Southwark is estimated at around £8.3m (primary) and £5.3m (secondary) annually
- Currently, most school outsourced contracts are for a single school, rather than a group, each with different contract terms
- Most contracts are currently two to three years in duration, not all schools will require a contract at the same time

The maximum framework term will be 4 years, this includes the initial contract term and the option to extend. Estimated potential sales value of the framework is £4m over the 4 years.

Southwark Council will be conducting this process via Department for Education (DfE) Jaggaer etendering system. Suppliers will need to ensure that they have up to date logins via <https://education.app.jaggaer.com/web/login.html>. The Jaggaer project reference is project\_9559.

Supplier Information Session

A Supplier Information Session will be held on Friday 24th January at 2pm. This will outline the framework tender process and provide some information on Jaggaer, the DfE's 'Get Help Buying for Schools' procurement portal. Please register for this virtual event via the link below:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/suppliers-information-session-tickets-1143808585269?aff=oddtcreator>

Copies of the slides from this session will be included in the ITT documentation when issued via Jaggaer.

DfE's Get help buying for schools' service is assisting Southwark Council with the publishing of the associated contract notices and procurement documentation. As a result, the e-sourcing system Jaggaer will be used for this project and it will show via DfE's published opportunities.

Information on lots and award criteria will be available when the tender is published.

### **II.1.5) Estimated total value**

Value excluding VAT: £4,000,000

### **II.1.6) Information about lots**

This contract is divided into lots: No

## **II.2) Description**

### **II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 55524000 - School catering services

### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UKI6 - Outer London – South

Main site or place of performance

London borough of Southwark

## **II.2.4) Description of the procurement**

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### **II.2.14) Additional information**

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## **II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice**

31 January 2025

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## **Section IV. Procedure**

### **IV.1) Description**

#### **IV.1.8) Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)**

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes