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Planning

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

Southwark Council

F01: Prior information notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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Internet address(es)

Main address

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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

Section II: Object**II.1) Scope of the procurement****II.1.1) Title**

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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

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