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Contract

The Albany Learning Trust Catering Framework Tender 2024

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

I.5) Main activity

Education

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

The Albany Learning Trust Catering Framework Tender 2024

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 55524000 - School catering services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

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There are initially 2 schools in this framework, however, other schools may call off later.

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1years).

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

- UKD47 - Chorley and West Lancashire

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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Labour resource/relief cover is very important. We have set a minimum level of turnover for this tender at 250,000 GBP which takes into account the contract turnover and cash flow associations. This is a discretionary pass/fail question on the basis that we will consider any additional guarantees and formal assurances such as parent company guarantors or similar which must be included to support any submission. We have set a minimum Employer's (compulsory) liability insurance of 10,000,000 GBP. Following the analysis of SQ's the selected bidders will be invited to attend a site survey and tender briefing initially planned for March 2024. Tender responses deadline is planned for April 2024 and it is envisaged that interviews will take place in late May 2024. The contract will be for a 3 +1 +1 period (5 years in total including the option to extend for 1 + 1years).

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: as per procurement documents / Weighting: 100

Price - Weighting: 0

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: No

II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Restricted procedure

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: No

IV.2) Administrative information

IV.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure

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Section V. Award of contract

Contract No

N/a

A contract/lot is awarded: No

V.1) Information on non-award

The contract/lot is not awarded

Other reasons (discontinuation of procedure)

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

(MT Ref:231154)

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

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