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Tender

Meridian Community Primary School _ East Sussex

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Scope

Reference

CA17001

Description

Meridian Community Primary School is part of a six-school collaboration with Seaford Primary School, Willingdon Primary School, Cradle Hill Community Primary School, Motcombe School, and Denton Community Primary School, joining together to procure a high-quality catering service for their communities.

Provider Capability

All interested catering companies must, in the first instance, demonstrate the capacity, capability, and operational resilience to cater for all six schools within the collaboration.

While the schools are undertaking a shared procurement process and timetable, each school will retain full autonomy and reserves the right to appoint the catering partner that best aligns with its individual needs, culture, and priorities. As a result, the outcome may be:

- A single provider appointed across all six schools, or
- Multiple providers, where individual schools select a bespoke catering partner.

Shared Aspirations

Across the collaboration, the schools share a unified ambition to secure a catering partner who will deliver:

- Increased meal uptake through quality, appeal, and value
- Fresh, nutritious, and seasonal food prepared with care
- A trusted, transparent, and collaborative partnership
- Strong pupil advocacy, ensuring children's voices shape the dining experience

Total value (estimated)

- £261,835 excluding VAT
- £314,202 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Contract dates (estimated)

- 1 August 2026 to 31 July 2029
- Possible extension to 31 July 2031
- 5 years

Description of possible extension:

Maximum 2 extensions of 12 months per extension.

Main procurement category

Goods

CPV classifications

- 15894210 - School meals

Contract locations

- UK - United Kingdom

Participation

Particular suitability

- Small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)
- Voluntary, community and social enterprises (VCSE)

Submission

Enquiry deadline

10 March 2026, 9:30am

Tender submission deadline

19 March 2026, 9:30am

Submission address and any special instructions

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Tenders may be submitted electronically

Yes

Languages that may be used for submission

English

Award decision date (estimated)

1 August 2026

Award criteria

Name	Description	Type	Weighting
Quality, Integrity, Management	Quality, Integrity, Management	Quality	60.0%
Finances	Finances	Price	40.0%

Other information

Conflicts assessment prepared/revised

Yes

Procedure

Procedure type

Open procedure

Contracting authority

Meridian Community Primary School

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Organisation type: Public undertaking (commercial organisation subject to public authority oversight)