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Planning

Preliminary Market Engagement for Mobile Catering Units

Dacorum Borough Council

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Scope

Reference

CPU00573PME

Description

Preliminary Market Engagement – Mobile Catering Units (Dacorum Borough Council)

This is a request for information and NOT a tender opportunity.

Overview

The Council own several parks across the Borough. The following sites have been identified as areas that would benefit from having Mobile Catering Units located in them:-

- Coronation Fields
- Bunkers Park

- Canal Fields
- Grovehill Playing Fields
- Jellicoe Water Gardens

Key Aims

We are seeking input to understand:

- What kind of food and beverage offer would best meet the expectations of park users
- How to maximise income generation while delivering a quality and inclusive experience
- The preferred commercial model (e.g. fixed rent, turnover share, hybrid)
- The level of interest and capacity among potential operators
- Innovations that could increase footfall, customer satisfaction, and community engagement

To access further information about this catering concession and to submit a questionnaire, interested parties will need to download these from the Council's e-tendering portal 'Supply Hertfordshire'.

Suppliers must register to use the portal – this is free of charge. Documents can be downloaded from the portal and via this link

<https://in-tendhost.co.uk/supplyhertfordshire/asp/Home>

Completed questions can be submitted up to 12 noon on 6th February 2026.

Contract dates (estimated)

- 1 September 2026 to 31 August 2028
- Possible extension to 31 August 2030
- 4 years

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 55300000 - Restaurant and food-serving services
- 55400000 - Beverage-serving services
- 55500000 - Canteen and catering services

Engagement

Engagement deadline

6 February 2026

Engagement process description

Please refer to PME documentation for further detail. This is NOT a tender exercise.

Participation

Particular suitability

Small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)

Submission

Publication date of tender notice (estimated)

2 March 2026

Procedure

Special regime

Concession

Contracting authority

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