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Pipeline

Invitation to Tender for Provision of Catering Services (Framework Agreement) at Pendle Education Trust

PENDLE EDUCATION TRUST

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Scope

Description

Pendle Educational Trust & Red Box Consultancy Services are seeking proposals from Catering Services providers to deliver school meals across five academies. The service is currently outsourced to a third party supplier. The schools involved are:

Castercliff Primary Academy- BB9 8JJ- NOR- 383

Casterton Primary Academy- BB10 2PZ- NOR- 301

Pendle Primary Academy- BB9 5AW- NOR- 413

Colne Primet Academy - BB8 8JF- NOR- 855

West Craven High School- BB18 5TB- NOR- 552

Red Box CS will use their Tender Portal to manage the process, please log in to view a detailed timeline & key documents. Contact Louise Bullman at Red Box for should you need Portal access.

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<https://redboxportal.com/>

Key Dates:

ITT release- Late Jan 2026

Contractor site visits- 2nd, 3rd & 6th Feb 26- by invitation only

Provisional date - Deadline for bid submission- 3rd April 2026

Provisional date - Shortlisting- 14th April 2026

Provisional date- Presentations- 21st April 2026

Award of contract- Early May 2026

Commercial tool

Establishes a framework

Contract dates (estimated)

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

Main category

Services

CPV classifications

- 55524000 - School catering services

Contract locations

- UKD46 - East Lancashire

Participation

Particular suitability

Small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)

Submission

Publication date of tender notice (estimated)

8 May 2026

Procedure

Procedure type

Open procedure

Above or below total value threshold

Above or equal to threshold

Contracting authority

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- Companies House: 08263591
- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PRJP-2224-TJHM

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Region: UKD46 - East Lancashire

Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government

Other organisation

These organisations are carrying out the procurement, or part of it, on behalf of the

contracting authorities.

RED BOX CONSULTANCY SERVICES LIMITED

Summary of their role in this procurement: Tender Management, including ITT document & bid evaluation

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Contact organisation

Contact RED BOX CONSULTANCY SERVICES LIMITED for any enquiries.