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Aylesford School ~ Catering Tender

Aylesford School and Sixth Form College

F02: Contract notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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NUTS code

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Main address

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I.3) Communication

The procurement documents are available for unrestricted and full direct access, free of charge, at

<https://www.delta-esourcing.com/tenders/UK-UK-Warwick:-School-catering-services./2GY72VH62S>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted to the above-mentioned address

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

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II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 55524000 - School catering services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Aylesford School and Sixth Form College is a progressive, ambitious, and popular all-through academy that provides a high-quality educational experience for over 1200 children aged from four to 18 years of age. The school believes that a successful education not only nurtures a love of learning but also encourages the development of a student's wellbeing through a healthy lifestyle supported by access to a balanced, nutritious, and ethically responsible diet.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £909,985

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKG13 - Warwickshire

Main site or place of performance

Warwickshire

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The contract being tendered is for three years in duration from 1 August 2022 until 31 July 2025, with the option to extend the contract term for a further term of up to two years and will operate as a Guaranteed Performance Contract, with the successful Contractor offering the School a guaranteed cost per annum for the provision of catering services. Sovereignty of the cash tariff is to remain with the School for the duration of this contract.

The tender project is seeking to appoint a Contractor whose initiative and innovation will be welcomed for the provision of service within the existing facilities for the teaching and support staff and students on roll, all of whom have a focus on the introduction of exciting new food concepts to satisfy a wide range of tastes and including those with dietary, ethical or animal welfare requirements. The School would wish the successful contractor to review the current range of services offered and make recommendations accordingly.

The contract offered covers the scope for the provision of all catering services within School, which currently includes breakfast, morning break, lunch and all hospitality and free issue requirements. Free Student meals and hospitality will be charged based on consumption and at net food cost

The School expects the successful contractor to enable the continued development of catering through the provision of an innovative, healthy and ethically responsible food service, with fresh, seasonal, locally sourced ingredients being prepared on-site. The School also expects the successful tenderer to evidence, through their bid, how they shall support and complement its values and support the principles of Keeping Children Safe in Education.

Aylesford School believes that the quality of catering provision is intrinsically linked to a safe and successful learning environment.

Due to the recent establishment that capital depreciation constitutes an embedded finance lease, inward capital investment is not a requirement of this tender. Finance leases are strictly prohibited by the Academies Handbook and thus entering into such an agreement would mean that Schools are in breach of their funding agreements.

It is appreciated that a level of investment may be identified as a requirement of your bid and therefore bidders are encouraged to provide details of such requirements by providing detailed information of the equipment necessary within their tender response, to include the equipment make, model and cost and also a justification of how this equipment will assist in fulfilling the proposal and potential of the service.

As a School who are continually seeking ways to improve and develop the ethos and environment for students and staff, to give them the facilities they deserve and need to meet the challenges of the 21st Century, any consideration regarding capital investment as part of the Contractor's tender submission would be welcomed. The School would

wish for the Contractor to look at making this investment within the existing catering areas, with attention being given to a High Street style, retail focussed offer which attracts current non-users of the facilities.

The School's objectives:

- To further develop the standards of a healthy, fresh food provision with a range of options to for those with dietary, ethical or animal welfare requirements
- To further develop the standard of service for all customers
- To receive consistently high-quality catering standards, via a motivated and fully staffed workforce
- To generate a welcoming and efficient dining and social environment for all students
- To receive proactive management support for the catering team, in order to attract and retain a full complement of motivated staff

Please see the SQ Document for more information.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

II.2.6) Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: £909,985

II.2.7) Duration of the contract, framework agreement or dynamic purchasing system

Start date

1 August 2022

End date

31 July 2027

This contract is subject to renewal

No

II.2.9) Information about the limits on the number of candidates to be invited

Envisaged minimum number: 5

Maximum number: 10

Objective criteria for choosing the limited number of candidates:

A minimum of 5 suppliers and a maximum of 10 suppliers will be taken forward to the tender stage of the process. Where less than 5 suppliers meet the minimum standards, only those that meet the minimum standards will be taken through to the tender stage. Where more than 5 suppliers meet the minimum standard, those suppliers with the highest scores will proceed to the tender stage.

II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: Yes

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 III. Legal, economic, financial and technical information

III.1) Conditions for participation

III.1.2) Economic and financial standing

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

III.1.3) Technical and professional ability

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

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: Yes

IV.2) Administrative information

IV.2.2) Time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate

Date

21 May 2021

Local time

12:00pm

IV.2.3) Estimated date of dispatch of invitations to tender or to participate to selected candidates

18 October 2021

IV.2.4) Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted

English

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: No

VI.3) Additional information

The contracting authority considers that this contract may be suitable for economic operators that are small or medium enterprises (SMEs). However, any selection of tenderers will be based solely on the criteria set out for the procurement.

It will be the supplier's responsibility to obtain any necessary documents in order to submit a response by the closing date and time.

The contracting authority reserves the right not to award any or part of the contract which is the subject of this contract notice and reserves the right to terminate the procurement process at any time.

The contracting authority will not be liable for any costs incurred by those expressing an interest in tendering for this contract opportunity.

The contracting authority will consider variant bids, evaluating them (so far as the variant or the evaluation of the variant is in the opinion of the contracting authority practicable) on the same basis as a conforming bid, but shall not be obliged to accept any such bid in preference to a conforming bid even if the variant bid scores more highly. No variant will be considered unless the bidder simultaneously submits a conforming bid.

For more information about this opportunity, please visit the Delta eSourcing portal at:

<https://litmustms.co.uk/tenders/UK-UK-Warwick:-School-catering-services./2GY72VH62S>

To respond to this opportunity, please click here:

<https://litmustms.co.uk/respond/2GY72VH62S>

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VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

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