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## **School Fruit and Vegetable Scheme - Supply 2024**

NHS Supply Chain

F02: Contract notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-03b3f8

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### **Section I: Contracting authority**

#### **I.1) Name and addresses**

NHS Supply Chain

Wellington House, 133-155 Waterloo Road

London

SE1 8UG

#### **Email**

[governance@supplychain.nhs.uk](mailto:governance@supplychain.nhs.uk)

#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **Region code**

UK - United Kingdom

#### **Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/department-of-health-and-social-care/about>

### **I.3) Communication**

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

<https://nhssupplychain.app.jaggaer.com/web/login.html>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

<https://nhssupplychain.app.jaggaer.com/web/login.html>

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

### **I.4) Type of the contracting authority**

National or federal Agency/Office

### **I.5) Main activity**

Health

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## **Section II: Object**

### **II.1) Scope of the procurement**

#### **II.1.1) Title**

School Fruit and Vegetable Scheme - Supply 2024

#### **II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 15000000 - Food, beverages, tobacco and related products

#### **II.1.3) Type of contract**

Supplies

#### **II.1.4) Short description**

NHS Supply Chain: Food is seeking suppliers who will have the capacity and capability to deliver and possess the drive to work collaboratively with NHS Supply Chain: Food and Schools to provide the right solution and manage the Distribution into Schools as part of the SFVS.

This procurement is for:

The supply of fruit and vegetable products under the SFVS to be delivered to nominated distribution hubs in England. SFVS is a Government funded initiative that supplies a piece of fruit or vegetable to all key stage 1 children (ages 4-7) in England for consumption up to 190 days each academic year.

It is anticipated that in the first 24 months the value of the Framework Agreement will be in the region of £62,700,000. This is based on the around 16,520 Primary Schools currently using the School Fruit and Vegetable Scheme.

For the full 48 month term (if extended) the anticipated value of the Framework Agreement will be in the region of £125,400,000.

These values are approximate only and are based on the most recent historical usage information. The values provided are for guidance only and are not a guarantee of business.

#### **II.1.5) Estimated total value**

Value excluding VAT: £125,400,000

#### **II.1.6) Information about lots**

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

Tenders may be submitted for all lots

### **II.2) Description**

#### **II.2.1) Title**

Apples

Lot No

1

### **II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 03200000 - Cereals, potatoes, vegetables, fruits and nuts
- 03221000 - Vegetables
- 03221200 - Fruit vegetables
- 03222000 - Fruit and nuts
- 03222321 - Apples

### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

### **II.2.4) Description of the procurement**

For the supply of Apples into the School Fruit and Vegetable Scheme.

The value for the first 24 months is anticipated to be £9,817,360.44 and £19,634,720.90 for the full 48 months (if extended).

### **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: £19,634,720.90

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

Duration in months

24

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

The Framework Agreement will have an initial term of 24 months with an option to extend incrementally for up to a further 24 months

### **II.2.10) Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: No

### **II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: Yes

Description of options

The Framework Agreement will have the option to extend incrementally for up to a further 24 months. The contract will be for a maximum term of 48 months.

### **II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds**

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

## **II.2) Description**

### **II.2.1) Title**

Pears

Lot No

2

### **II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 03200000 - Cereals, potatoes, vegetables, fruits and nuts
- 03221000 - Vegetables
- 03221200 - Fruit vegetables
- 03222000 - Fruit and nuts
- 03222322 - Pears

### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

#### **II.2.4) Description of the procurement**

For the supply of Pears into the School Fruit and Vegetable Scheme.

The value for the first 24 months is anticipated to be £8,846,272.98 and £17,692,545.97 for the full 48 months (if extended).

#### **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: £17,692,545.97

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

Duration in months

24

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

The Framework Agreement will have an initial term of 24 months with an option to extend incrementally for up to a further 24 months

#### **II.2.10) Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: No

#### **II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: Yes

Description of options

The Framework Agreement will have the option to extend incrementally for up to a further 24 months.

The contract will be for a maximum term of 48 months.

### **II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds**

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

## **II.2) Description**

### **II.2.1) Title**

Easy Peel Citrus

Lot No

3

### **II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 03200000 - Cereals, potatoes, vegetables, fruits and nuts
- 03221000 - Vegetables
- 03221200 - Fruit vegetables
- 03222000 - Fruit and nuts
- 03222200 - Citrus fruit
- 03222220 - Oranges
- 03222240 - Tangerines

### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

### **II.2.4) Description of the procurement**

For the supply of Easy Peel Citrus into the School Fruit and Vegetable Scheme.

The value for the first 24 months is anticipated to be £7,158,728.98 and £14,317,457.96 for the full 48 months (if extended).

### **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: £14,317,457.96

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

Duration in months

24

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

The Framework Agreement will have an initial term of 24 months with an option to extend incrementally for up to a further 24 months

### **II.2.10) Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: No

### **II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: Yes

Description of options

The Framework Agreement will have the option to extend incrementally for up to a further 24 months.

The contract will be for a maximum term of 48 months.

### **II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds**

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

## **II.2) Description**

### **II.2.1) Title**

Bananas

Lot No

4

### **II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 03200000 - Cereals, potatoes, vegetables, fruits and nuts
- 03221000 - Vegetables
- 03221200 - Fruit vegetables
- 03222000 - Fruit and nuts
- 03222111 - Bananas

### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

### **II.2.4) Description of the procurement**

For the supply of Bananas into the School Fruit and Vegetable Scheme.

The value for the first 24 months is anticipated to be £16,467,712.9 and £32,935,425.82 for the full 48 months (if extended).

### **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: £32,935,425.82

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

Duration in months

24

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

The Framework Agreement will have an initial term of 24 months with an option to extend incrementally for up to a further 24 months

### **II.2.10) Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: No

### **II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: Yes

Description of options

The Framework Agreement will have the option to extend incrementally for up to a further 24 months.

The contract will be for a maximum term of 48 months.

### **II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds**

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

## **II.2) Description**

### **II.2.1) Title**

Carrots

Lot No

5

### **II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 03200000 - Cereals, potatoes, vegetables, fruits and nuts
- 03221000 - Vegetables
- 03221112 - Carrots

- 03221200 - Fruit vegetables
- 03222000 - Fruit and nuts

### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

### **II.2.4) Description of the procurement**

For the supply of Carrots into the School Fruit and Vegetable Scheme.

The value for the first 24 months is anticipated to be £4,733,791.32 and £9,467,582.63 for the full 48 months (if extended).

### **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: £9,467,582.63

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

Duration in months

24

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

The Framework Agreement will have an initial term of 24 months with an option to extend incrementally for up to a further 24 months

### **II.2.10) Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: No

### **II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: Yes

Description of options

The Framework Agreement will have the option to extend incrementally for up to a further 24 months.

The contract will be for a maximum term of 48 months.

### **II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds**

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

## **II.2) Description**

### **II.2.1) Title**

Sugar Snap Peas

Lot No

6

### **II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 03200000 - Cereals, potatoes, vegetables, fruits and nuts
- 03221000 - Vegetables
- 03221200 - Fruit vegetables
- 03221220 - Peas
- 03222000 - Fruit and nuts

### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

### **II.2.4) Description of the procurement**

For the supply of Sugar Snap Peas into the School Fruit and Vegetable Scheme.

The value for the first 24 months is anticipated to be £1,296,908.3 and £2,593,816.60 for

the full 48 months (if extended).

### **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: £2,593,816.60

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

Duration in months

24

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

The Framework Agreement will have an initial term of 24 months with an option to extend incrementally for up to a further 24 months

### **II.2.10) Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: No

### **II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: Yes

Description of options

The Framework Agreement will have the option to extend incrementally for up to a further 24 months.

The contract will be for a maximum term of 48 months.

### **II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds**

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

## **II.2) Description**

### **II.2.1) Title**

Speciality Tomatoes

Lot No

7

### **II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 03200000 - Cereals, potatoes, vegetables, fruits and nuts
- 03221000 - Vegetables
- 03221200 - Fruit vegetables
- 03221240 - Tomatoes
- 03222000 - Fruit and nuts

### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

### **II.2.4) Description of the procurement**

For the supply of Speciality Tomatoes into the School Fruit and Vegetable Scheme.

The value for the first 24 months is anticipated to be £3,598,728.5 and £7,197,457.02 for the full 48 months (if extended).

### **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: £7,197,457.02

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

Duration in months

24

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

The Framework Agreement will have an initial term of 24 months with an option to extend incrementally for up to a further 24 months

### **II.2.10) Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: No

### **II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: Yes

Description of options

The Framework Agreement will have the option to extend incrementally for up to a further 24 months.

The contract will be for a maximum term of 48 months.

### **II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds**

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

## **II.2) Description**

### **II.2.1) Title**

Dried Grapes

Lot No

8

### **II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 03200000 - Cereals, potatoes, vegetables, fruits and nuts
- 03221000 - Vegetables
- 03221200 - Fruit vegetables
- 03222000 - Fruit and nuts
- 03222115 - Raisins
- 15332410 - Dried fruit

### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

### **II.2.4) Description of the procurement**

For the supply of Dried Grapes into the School Fruit and Vegetable Scheme.

The value for the first 24 months is anticipated to be £1,703,752.16 and £3,407,504.32 for the full 48 months (if extended).

### **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: £3,407,504.32

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

Duration in months

24

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

The Framework Agreement will have an initial term of 24 months with an option to extend

incrementally for up to a further 24 months

### **II.2.10) Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: No

### **II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: Yes

Description of options

The Framework Agreement will have the option to extend incrementally for up to a further 24 months.

The contract will be for a maximum term of 48 months.

### **II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds**

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

## **II.2) Description**

### **II.2.1) Title**

Baby Cucumbers

Lot No

9

### **II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 03200000 - Cereals, potatoes, vegetables, fruits and nuts
- 03221000 - Vegetables
- 03221200 - Fruit vegetables
- 03221270 - Cucumbers
- 03222000 - Fruit and nuts

### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

#### **II.2.4) Description of the procurement**

For the supply of Baby Cucumbers into the School Fruit and Vegetable Scheme.

The value for the first 24 months is anticipated to be £1,481,028.28 and £2,962,056.58 for the full 48 months (if extended).

#### **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: £2,962,056.58

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

Duration in months

24

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

The Framework Agreement will have an initial term of 24 months with an option to extend incrementally for up to a further 24 months

#### **II.2.10) Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: No

#### **II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: Yes

Description of options

The Framework Agreement will have the option to extend incrementally for up to a further 24 months.

The contract will be for a maximum term of 48 months.

### **II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds**

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

## **II.2) Description**

### **II.2.1) Title**

Mini Sweet Pepper Bites

Lot No

10

### **II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 03200000 - Cereals, potatoes, vegetables, fruits and nuts
- 03221000 - Vegetables
- 03221200 - Fruit vegetables
- 03221230 - Peppers
- 03222000 - Fruit and nuts

### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

### **II.2.4) Description of the procurement**

For the supply of Mini Sweet Bite Peppers into the School Fruit and Vegetable Scheme.

The value for the first 24 months is anticipated to be £1,481,028.28 and £2,962,056.58 for the full 48 months (if extended).

### **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: £2,962,056.58

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

Duration in months

24

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

The Framework Agreement will have an initial term of 24 months with an option to extend incrementally for up to a further 24 months

### **II.2.10) Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: No

### **II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: Yes

Description of options

The Framework Agreement will have the option to extend incrementally for up to a further 24 months.

The contract will be for a maximum term of 48 months.

### **II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds**

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

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## **Section III. Legal, economic, financial and technical information**

### **III.1) Conditions for participation**

**III.1.1) Suitability to pursue the professional activity, including requirements relating to**

## **enrolment on professional or trade registers**

List and brief description of conditions

Applicants may bid for one, more than one or all lots and Applicants should refer to the Invitation to Tender for more information in respect of this.

The term of contracts formed under the Framework Agreement may continue beyond the end of the term of the Framework Agreement itself.

Electronic ordering will be used and electronic invoicing will be accepted and electronic payment will be used.

NHS Supply Chain: Food does not guarantee any level of purchase through the Framework and advises applicants that the Framework shall be established on a non-exclusive basis. Tenders and all supporting documentation for the contract must be priced in sterling and written in English. Any agreement entered into will be considered a contract made in England according to English law and will be subject to the exclusive jurisdiction of the English Courts. NHS Supply Chain: Food is not liable for any costs (including any third party costs fees or expenses incurred by those expressing an interest, participating or tendering for this contract opportunity. NHS Supply Chain: Food reserves the right to terminate the procurement process (or part of it), to change the basis of and the procedures for the procurement process at any time or to procure the subject matter of the contract by alternative means if it appears that it can be more advantageously procured by alternative means.

All communications must be made through NHS Supply Chain's eTendering portal at

<https://nhssupplychain.app.jaggaer.com> using the message centre facility linked to this particular contract notice. Please note that the maximum number of suppliers as set out in IV.1.3) is an estimate only.

### **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

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## **Section IV. Procedure**

### **IV.1) Description**

#### **IV.1.1) Type of procedure**

Open procedure

#### **IV.1.3) Information about a framework agreement or a dynamic purchasing system**

The procurement involves the establishment of a framework agreement

Framework agreement with several operators

#### **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.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure**

Notice number: [2023/S 000-007865](#)

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

Date

21 March 2024

Local time

3:00pm

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

English

#### **IV.2.6) Minimum time frame during which the tenderer must maintain the tender**

Duration in months: 7 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)

#### **IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders**

Date

22 March 2024

Local time

9:00am

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## Section VI. Complementary information

### VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: Yes

### VI.3) Additional information

Submission of expression of interest and procurement specific information:

This procurement exercise will be conducted on the NHS Supply Chain eProcurement portal at <https://nhssupplychain.app.jaggaer.com/>

Candidates wishing to be considered for this contract must register their expression of interest and provide additional procurement-specific information (if required) through the NHS Supply Chain eProcurement portal using the URL

<https://nhssupplychain.app.jaggaer.com/> to access the portal. Please see instructions

below on how to Express Interest and Intend to Respond:

- Once you have registered and logged in to Jaggaer, you will see a section called 'Supplier Area'. Under this you will need to go to 'ITTs open to All Suppliers'. In this section you will find an ITT titled 'Delivered Ready Prepared Meals', click into this.
- Once you have clicked into the ITT, click 'Express Interest' in the top right-hand corner. Once you have expressed interest in the ITT, a new option will appear titled 'Intent to Respond'. You will need to click intend to respond to be able to fill in a response.
- Once you have Expressed Interest and Intended to Respond to the ITT, this will now sit under 'My ITTs' in the Supplier Area and will no longer show under 'ITTs Open to all Suppliers'.

Please ensure to download and read all documents contained within the Attachments area.

Details of how to submit your response can be found within the Invitation to Tender document.

For any technical help with the portal please contact: Tel: 0800 069 8630 or email:

[help\\_uk@jaggaer.com](mailto:help_uk@jaggaer.com)

## **VI.4) Procedures for review**

### **VI.4.1) Review body**

N/A

N/A

Country

United Kingdom

### **VI.4.3) Review procedure**

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

Appeals to be logged in accordance with the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 (as amended)