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Tender

Sexey's School ~ Catering Tender

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F02: Contract notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-04e3b4

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

Sexey's School

Cole Road, Bruton

Somerset

BA10 0DF

Email

tenders@litmuspartnership.co.uk

Telephone

+44 1276673880

Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UKK23 - Somerset

Internet address(es)

Main address

<https://www.sexeyssomerset.sch.uk/>

I.3) Communication

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

<https://litmustms.co.uk/respond/722CX72X79>

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

The successful Supplier will be required to provide catering services for Sexey's School, part of Quantock Education Trust:

Sexey's School,

Cole Road,

Bruton,

Somerset,

BA10 0DF

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £1,087,494

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKK23 - Somerset

Main site or place of performance

Somerset

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The successful Supplier will be required to provide catering services for Sexey's School, part of Quantock Education Trust:

Sexey's School, Cole Road, Bruton, Somerset, BA10 0DF. Google
URL: <https://www.sexseys.somerset.sch.uk/>

Sexey's School is a state boarding school providing high quality education to students aged 11 to 18 in Bruton, Somerset. Therefore, the contract covers the scope for the provision of all catering services within the School, which also includes full boarding meals; breakfast, lunch and dinner, for students in residence. The majority of school

students are non-boarders and therefore there will be a requirement for a fully compliant lunch service for cash paying students, as well as the requirement to service the various Lettings that are hosted by the School through the year.

There are approximately 670 students on roll, of which 67 are full time boarders, 102 board for 2 days, 6 board for 3 days and 1 boards for 4 days. The remaining students are day students.

The duration of the contract being offered is for an initial three-year period commencing on 01 September 2025, with the potential to extend for a further two 12-month periods. These extensions will be granted by mutual consent and on the same terms and conditions as the original contract without the right to further extend beyond the full five years.

The School are seeking a suitably experienced education catering contractor who is able to evidence working within boarding house establishments and/or the independent education sector in order to evidence the capability of providing the service required. An existing presence within the Southwest would be beneficial although not essential for organisations looking to expand into the region. The successful contractor will already have or need to develop a strong operational base within the vicinity, thus allowing for both adequate contract support and operational flexibility that is to be delivered to support the contract as and when needed moving forwards into this contractual term.

The services are currently inhouse and TUPE is expected to apply. It is anticipated that a number of the current employees are members of the Local Government Pension Scheme (LGPS) and, in this instance, the successful contractor will be expected to gain Admitted Body Status (ABS) in order to continue contributing to the scheme.

Please see 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: £1,087,494

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

Start date

1 September 2025

End date

31 August 2030

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

II.2.14) Additional information

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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 March 2025

Local time

12:00pm

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

14 April 2025

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.2) Information about electronic workflows

Electronic ordering will be used

Electronic invoicing will be accepted

Electronic payment will be used

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-Somerset:-School-catering-services./722CX72X79>

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VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

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