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Tender

PP-10150a Forward As One Church of England Multi Academy Trust Catering

FORWARD AS ONE CHURCH OF ENGLAND MULTI ACADEMY TRUST

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Scope

Reference

PP-10150a

Description

Forward As One Church of England Multi Academy Trust is a non-profit educational charity and multi-academy trust whose charitable purpose is the advancement of education for public benefit, based in the north of Greater Manchester.

The nine primary schools within the Trust that are seeking a catering provider for this contract each share a commitment to creating safe, inclusive and supportive learning environments where pupils can thrive. These schools require a catering supplier that can provide nutritious, high-quality meals that support pupil wellbeing and complement the Trust's educational and welfare objectives.

Further information on the Client's requirements can be found at Attachment 1 Specification and Attachment 2 Client Data.

The Contract period will be for 3 years initially, with the option to extend for two further one-year periods at the discretion of the Client.

Total value (estimated)

- £4,650,000 excluding VAT
- £5,580,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Contract dates (estimated)

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

Description of possible extension:

Option to extend for two further one-year periods at the discretion of the Client.

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 15894210 - School meals
- 55523100 - School-meal services
- 55524000 - School catering services

Contract locations

- UKD3 - Greater Manchester

Submission

Enquiry deadline

6 March 2026, 5:00pm

Tender submission deadline

13 March 2026, 12:00pm

Submission address and any special instructions

Tender responses, and all clarifications and correspondence, must be submitted using the In-Tend portal at the following link, under project reference PP-10150a: <https://intendhost.co.uk/placegroup>

Tenders may be submitted electronically

Yes

Languages that may be used for submission

English

Award decision date (estimated)

4 May 2026

Award criteria

Name	Description	Type
Simple description	Quality Assessment: 60% of overall score Price Assessment: 40% of overall score See ITT Part A document for full breakdown	Price

Weighting description

Quality Assessment: 60% of overall score

Price Assessment: 40% of overall score

See ITT Part A document for full breakdown

Other information

Payment terms

As per the contract terms and conditions included as part of the tender documentation

Description of risks to contract performance

Please see section 7 of Part A of the tender documentation for details of contract risks

and dependencies

Conflicts assessment prepared/revised

Yes

Procedure

Procedure type

Open procedure

Special regime

Light touch

Documents

Associated tender documents

<https://in-tendhost.co.uk/placegroup>

Tender documentation and all correspondence will be managed via the InTend portal under project reference PP-10150a. Please register on the portal and express interest in the project to access the tender documentation.

Contracting authority

FORWARD AS ONE CHURCH OF ENGLAND MULTI ACADEMY TRUST

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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.

Place Group Ltd

Summary of their role in this procurement: Procurement Agent on behalf of client

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