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## **Tennyson Learning Community Multi Academy Trust ~ Catering Tender**

Tennyson Learning Community Multi Academy Trust  
Tennyson Road Primary School South  
Lime Tree Primary Academy

F02: Contract notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocids-h6vhtk-04542c

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

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

Tennyson Learning Community Multi Academy Trust  
Tennyson Road Primary School North, Surrey Street  
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LU1 3BZ

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[tenders@litmuspartnership.co.uk](mailto:tenders@litmuspartnership.co.uk)

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#### **Country**

United Kingdom

**Region code**

UKH21 - Luton

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://www.tennysonroad.school/index.asp>

**I.1) Name and addresses**

Tennyson Road Primary School South

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**I.1) Name and addresses**

Lime Tree Primary Academy

Parkside Drive, Houghton Regis

Bedfordshire

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**Country**

United Kingdom

**Region code**

UKH2 - Bedfordshire and Hertfordshire

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://www.limetree.academy/index.asp>

**I.2) Information about joint procurement**

The contract involves joint procurement

**I.3) Communication**

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

<https://litmustms.co.uk/respond/TR8GS8C68F>

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

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## **Section II: Object**

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

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

Tennyson Learning Community Multi Academy Trust ~ Catering Tender

#### **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 Tennyson Learning Community Multi Academy Trust.

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

Value excluding VAT: £1,318,250

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

This contract is divided into lots: No

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

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

NUTS codes

- UKH21 - Luton

Main site or place of performance

Luton

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

The Trust is seeking to appoint a Contractor whose initiative and innovation will be welcomed for the provision of service within the existing facilities of the schools, with a focus on exciting new food concepts to satisfy a wide range of pupil taste and dietary

requirements. The wish is for the successful contractor to review the current range of services offered at the schools and make recommendations accordingly.

The expectation of the successful contractor is to enable the continued development of catering through the provision of an innovative, healthy food service, with fresh, seasonal, sourced ingredients being prepared on-site. The Schools expect the successful tenderer to evidence, through their bid, how they shall support and complement its values and support the principles of Every Child Matters.

The Schools within the Trust believe that success should be celebrated and that pupils should enjoy their time at school; if lessons are stimulating and challenging then students will love learning.

The schools 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 funding improvements as part of the Contractor's tender submission would be welcomed.

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

Whilst the Trust prioritise value for money as a key objective of the Competitive Tender Process, it is not obliged to accept the lowest price.

The successful contractor should also have an established record in successfully managing the TUPE process, the Supplier may also be required to apply for a 'Pass Through' admission agreement (ABS) in order to manage the LGPS associated with certain members of the catering team. Furthermore, the contractor should ideally have a strong operational base in the local area.

Ultimately, it is important that the Contractor can demonstrate an ability to manage an efficient catering service through the application of effective staff training, management and quality controls that delivers continual 'best value' to all schools within the Trust.

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: £1,318,250

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

Start date

1 September 2024

End date

31 August 2029

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

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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

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## **Section IV. Procedure**

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

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

Restricted procedure

Accelerated procedure

Justification:

Contract start date

#### **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

17 May 2024

Local time

12:00pm

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

3 June 2024

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

English



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## **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-Luton:-School-catering-services./TR8GS8C68F>

To respond to this opportunity, please click here:

<https://litmustms.co.uk/respond/TR8GS8C68F>

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

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

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