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## **Proposed new special free school in West Northamptonshire**

West Northamptonshire Council

F02: Contract notice

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

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

West Northamptonshire Council

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Northampton

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#### **Email**

[procurement@westnorthants.gov.uk](mailto:procurement@westnorthants.gov.uk)

#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **NUTS code**

UKF24 - West Northamptonshire

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

Main address

[www.westnorthants.gov.uk](http://www.westnorthants.gov.uk)

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

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

[www.in-tend.co.uk](http://www.in-tend.co.uk)

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

[www.in-tend.co.uk](http://www.in-tend.co.uk)

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

Regional or local authority

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

General public services

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## **Section II: Object**

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

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

Proposed new special free school in West Northamptonshire

Reference number

WNC00000156

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

- 80100000 - Primary education services

**II.1.3) Type of contract**

Services

**II.1.4) Short description**

West Northamptonshire Council has identified the need to provide additional specialist school places for children and young people, preferably to the south-west of Northampton, within reasonable travelling distance of Towcester, Daventry and Brackley. The need is for places for pupils with autistic spectrum conditions (ASC), speech, language and communication needs (SLCN) and severe learning difficulties (SLD). To address these needs, the council is conducting a procurement exercise to find an academy trust to open and run a new special free school providing up to 250 places from September 2024. To comply with section 6A of the Education and Inspections Act, 2006 (the 'free school presumption') the council must, in the first instance, seek proposals to establish a free school from appropriately skilled, experienced and successful academy trusts. Under the free school 'presumption' route, West Northamptonshire council is responsible for funding the proposed new school and providing

**II.1.5) Estimated total value**

Value excluding VAT: £1,550,000

**II.1.6) Information about lots**

This contract is divided into lots: No

**II.2) Description****II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 80100000 - Primary education services
- 80200000 - Secondary education services

**II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UKF24 - West Northamptonshire

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

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places for pupils with autistic spectrum conditions (ASC), speech, language and communication needs (SLCN) and severe learning difficulties (SLD). To address these needs, the council is conducting a procurement exercise to find an academy trust to open and run a new special free school providing up to 250 places from September 2024. To comply with section 6A of the Education and Inspections Act, 2006 (the 'free school presumption') the council must, in the first instance, seek proposals to establish a free school from appropriately skilled, experienced and successful academy trusts.

#### **II.2.5) Award criteria**

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

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

Start date

30 September 2022

End date

31 August 2099

This contract is subject to renewal

No

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

Variants will be accepted: No

#### **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.1.1) Suitability to pursue the professional activity, including requirements relating to enrolment on professional or trade registers**

List and brief description of conditions

As listed in the procurement documentation

#### **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

### **III.2) Conditions related to the contract**

#### **III.2.2) Contract performance conditions**

As listed in the procurement documentation, set by the Department for Education.

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## **Section IV. Procedure**

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

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

Open 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

29 July 2022

Local time

11:00pm

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

English

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

Date

1 August 2022

Local time

9:00am

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.1) Information about recurrence**

This is a recurrent procurement: No

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

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

West Northamptonshire Council

Northampton

Country

United Kingdom