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Contract

## **Barbican Centre Catering Services**

The Mayor and Commonalty and Citizens of the City of London

F03: Contract award notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-045619

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

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

The Mayor and Commonalty and Citizens of the City of London

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London

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#### **Contact**

Onika Syeda

#### **Email**

[onika.syeda@cityoflondon.gov.uk](mailto:onika.syeda@cityoflondon.gov.uk)

#### **Country**

United Kingdom

**Region code**

UK - United Kingdom

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

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

**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**

Barbican Centre Catering Services

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

- 55520000 - Catering services

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

Services

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

This is a concession contract.

The estimated post-tender contract value over the initial five (5) years term for Lot 1 and 2 is £46,266, 257, broken down as shown below:

Lot 1: £ 21,939,934

Lot 2: £23,326,323

The estimated Lot 3 contract extension value over two (2) years is £1,700,540.

Summary of requirements:

Lot 1 - Hospitality & Events

Food and Beverage delivery only.

Catering associated with events including the Barbican internal hospitality breaks down approximately:

Day time conference: 70%

Events evening/weekend with no associated meeting or conference: 25%

Other (discounted including Barbican internal hospitality):5%

Lot2 - Level G restaurant and foyer cafes

Level G assisted service restaurant attracting a consistent destination customer group made up of staff, local workers and residents and is populated by these users throughout the day for social occasions, meetings and as an outlet for take away service.

Level G and -1 café offering a good range of soft drinks, sandwiches, filled breads and snacks.

Lot 3 - Level 1 restaurant

This lot was withdrawn from the procurement, so we are not going to award the contract. Instead, we will proceed with a 2 years' extension of the contract with the incumbent (Searcys).

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

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

### **II.1.7) Total value of the procurement (excluding VAT)**

Value excluding VAT: £46,266,257

## **II.2) Description**

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

Lot 1 - Hospitality & Events

Lot No

1

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

- 55520000 - Catering services

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

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

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

Catering associated with events including the Barbican internal hospitality breaks down approximately:

Day time conference: 70%

Events evening/weekend with no associated meeting or conference: 25%

Other (discounted including Barbican internal hospitality):5%

Historic data:

23/24

32 Events including

2 x Dinner events

9 Receptions

1 Large scale conference (1800 people)

6 Mid-size conferences (100-250 people)

14 Small conferences (10-99 people)

5615 attendees in total

22/23

28 Events including

3 Dinner events

12 Receptions

1 Large scale conference (1800 people)

3 x Mid-sized conference s (100-250 people)

9 Small conferences (10-99 people)

4470 attendees in total

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

Price

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

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

Lot 2 - Level G Public Restaurant and Foyer Cafes

Lot No

2

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

- 55520000 - Catering services

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

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

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

Level G public restaurant:

This assisted service restaurant is capable of absorbing high volumes at times of peak demand. It is popular at lunchtime attracting a consistent destination customer group made up of staff, local workers and residents and is populated by these users throughout the day for social occasions, meetings and as an outlet for take away service. At weekends and during school holidays the Barbican Kitchen is the catering outlet most regularly taken up by families visiting the Barbican.

Level G café:

The café on level G sits at the centre of our ground floor foyer and is the catering outlet with the longest trading hours. We are not wedded to the idea of a branded coffee offer from this coffee point, but do want to ensure that the quality of the coffee range is commensurate with the best of independent coffee shops in the area. A good range of soft drinks, sandwiches, filled breads and snacks should also be available.

Level - 1 café:

This café opens according to programme operating chiefly around the Hall and Theatre though it does sometimes service Business Events. The range sold should be similar to that from Level G.

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

Price

## **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) Description**

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

Lot 3 - Level 1 Public Restaurant

Lot No

3

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

- 55520000 - Catering services

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

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

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

The procurement for Lot 3 was withdrawn. Instead we have proceeded with a 2 years' extension of the contract with the incumbent.

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

Price

### **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**

2 years extension from 1st February 2025 to 31st January 2027.



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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.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure**

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## **Section V. Award of contract**

### **Lot No**

1

### **Title**

Lot 1 - Hospitality & Events

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

### **V.2) Award of contract**

#### **V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract**

14 April 2025

#### **V.2.2) Information about tenders**

Number of tenders received: 3

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: No

### **V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor**

Searcys

1 Bridges Court, York Road

London

SW11 3BB

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

The contractor is an SME

No

### **V.2.4) Information on value of contract/lot (excluding VAT)**

Total value of the contract/lot: £21,939,934

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## **Section V. Award of contract**

### **Lot No**

2

### **Title**

Lot 2 - Level G Public Restaurant and Foyer Cafes

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

### **V.2) Award of contract**

#### **V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract**

14 April 2025

### **V.2.2) Information about tenders**

Number of tenders received: 1

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: No

### **V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor**

Searcys

1 Bridges Court, York Road

London

SW11 3BB

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

The contractor is an SME

No

### **V.2.4) Information on value of contract/lot (excluding VAT)**

Total value of the contract/lot: £23,326,323

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.3) Additional information**

The term of this contract for Lot 1 and Lot 2 is for an initial period of five (5) years. There is an option to extend Lot 1 and Lot 2 contracts by up to two (2) years by the City of London Corporation.

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

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

Cabinet Office

70 Whitehall

London

SW1A 2AS

Country

United Kingdom

#### **VI.4.2) Body responsible for mediation procedures**

See VI.4.1) Review body field of this contract award notice

London

Country

United Kingdom