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Contract

## **The Willink School ~ Catering Tender**

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F03: Contract award notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-041be8

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

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

The Willink School

School Lane, Burghfield Common

Reading

RG7 3XJ

#### **Email**

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

#### **Telephone**

+44 1276673880

#### **Country**

United Kingdom

**Region code**

UKJ11 - Berkshire

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://www.willinkschool.org.uk/>

**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**

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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 Willink, based in Burghfield Common, is a vibrant community school for over 1,200 students aged 11-18.

**II.1.6) Information about lots**

This contract is divided into lots: No

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

Value excluding VAT: £2,032,104.32

## **II.2) Description**

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

NUTS codes

- UKJ11 - Berkshire

Main site or place of performance

Berkshire

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

As the preferred state school in our area, we attract learners beyond our catchment, including Hampshire, Reading, and Wokingham. Our broad and balanced curriculum has a strong international flavour, tailored to cultivate a global mindset in our students. Rooted in our heritage as a Language College, we teach four foreign languages which fosters linguistic proficiency and cultural understanding. Exceptional academic outcomes position us among Berkshire's top ten non-selective schools, reflecting our commitment to educational excellence. As leaders in mathematics instruction we head the Mobius Maths Hub, a national centre of excellence, thus extending our influence across Berkshire and Wiltshire. We maintain strategic partnerships with Teaching School Hub Berkshire, underscoring our dedication to exceptional education. Above all, The Willink is a lively, welcoming institution encouraging high aspirations and expectations for our learning community. The tender project is seeking to appoint a Contractor whose initiative and innovation will be welcomed for the provision of service within the existing facilities for the 1250 students on roll and 217 teaching and support staff, with a focus on exciting new food concepts to satisfy a wide range of pupil tastes and dietary requirements. The School would wish the successful contractor to review the current range of services offered and make recommendations accordingly. The contract being tendered is for three years in duration from 01 August 2024 to 31 July 2027 and will operate as a Guaranteed Performance Contract, with the successful Contractor offering the School a guaranteed return / cost per annum for the provision of catering services. Sovereignty of the cash tariff is to remain with The Willink for the duration of this contract. The School year is based on a calendar of 195 days. Five days are to be used for staff professional development which means that School will be open to receive students for the legal minimum of 190 days. The contract offered covers the scope for the provision of all catering services within the School, which currently includes morning break, lunch, all

hospitality and free issue requirements. Free School meals and hospitality will be charged based on consumption and at net food cost. Whilst the School prioritises value for money as a key objective of the Competitive Tender Process, the Governing body is not obliged to accept the lowest price. Please see SQ Document for more information.

### **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**

This contract has already been awarded

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## **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.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure**

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

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

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

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

23 May 2024

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

Number of tenders received: 5

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

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

Harrison Catering Services Limited

Oxford House, Oxford Road

Thame

OX9 2AH

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKJ14 - Oxfordshire

National registration number

02856316

The contractor is an SME

No

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

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot: £1,390,000

Total value of the contract/lot: £2,032,104.32

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **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.

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

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

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