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Contract

## **Wheatfields Infants' and Nursery School and Wheatfields Junior School ~ Catering Services**

Wheatfields Infants' and Nursery School and Wheatfields Junior School

F03: Contract award notice

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

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

Wheatfields Infants' and Nursery School and Wheatfields Junior School

Downes Road, St Albans

Hertfordshire

AL4 9NT

#### **Email**

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

#### **Telephone**

+44 1276673896

#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **NUTS code**

UKH23 - Hertfordshire

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://www.wheatfieldsinfants.herts.sch.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**

Wheatfields Infants' and Nursery School and Wheatfields Junior School ~ Catering Services

**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 Wheatfield Infants' and Nursery School and Wheatfields Junior School, located in St Albans.

**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: £959,328

## **II.2) Description**

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

NUTS codes

- UKH23 - Hertfordshire

Main site or place of performance

Hertfordshire

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

The successful Supplier will be required to provide catering services for Wheatfields Infants' and Nursery School and Wheatfields Junior School.

Wheatfields Infants and Nursery School:

Wheatfields Infants' and Nursery School has a diverse range of 70 staff and 330 children ranging from 3 – 7 years of age. At Wheatfields we value everyone as an individual and are a sustainable school

Wheatfields Junior School:

Wheatfields Junior School' in St Albans, is a juniors School with a diverse range of 360 students and 60 staff, who benefit from a superb building, providing excellent learning facilities for students.

Each school has its own kitchen and the two schools are adjacent to each other.

The Tender

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 of all schools, with a focus on exciting new food concepts to satisfy a wide range of pupil tastes and dietary requirements. The Schools 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 1st August 2021 to 31st July 2024 with the option to extend for up to a further 2 years at the discretion of the client. This contract 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 Trust for the duration of this contract.

The School year at all schools 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 (Junior School only), lunch, all hospitality and free issue requirements. Free School meals are to be charged on consumption with a margin attached and hospitality will be charged based on consumption and at net food cost.

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

The Trust expects the successful contractor to enable the continued development of catering through the provision of an innovative, healthy food service, with fresh, seasonal, locally sourced ingredients being prepared on-site. The Trust expects 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 Trust believes 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.

As a school who 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 inward capital investment as part of the Contractor's tender submission would be welcomed.

Find more details in the SQ document.

#### **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

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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**

Notice number: [2021/S 000-001600](#)

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

### **Contract No**

0001600

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

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

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

21 June 2021

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

Number of tenders received: 6

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 6

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

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

The Pantry (UK) Limited

Unit 6, Brook Business Centre, Uxbridge

Hillingdon

UB8 2FX

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKI - London

National registration number

09100034

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £997,695

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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.

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

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

Wheatfields Infants' and Nursery School and Wheatfields Junior School

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