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Tender

Transformational Alternative Education Provision for Post-16 Learners in Bristol.

City of Bristol College

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Scope

Reference

SC2511A

Description

To provider NEET focused Transformational Alternative Education Provision for Post-16 Learners in Bristol as further described in the Requirements criteria.

Full details are in the ITT document and specification.

Total value (estimated)

- £2,500,000 excluding VAT
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Above the relevant threshold

Contract dates (estimated)

- 7 September 2026 to 6 September 2029
- Possible extension to 6 September 2031
- 5 years

Description of possible extension:

Optional extensions of up to 24 months, therefore a maximum of 5 years in total contract duration.

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 80000000 - Education and training services

Contract locations

- UKK11 - Bristol, City of

Participation

Legal and financial capacity conditions of participation

See details within Tender and Conditions of Participation documentation.

Technical ability conditions of participation

See details within Tender and Conditions of Participation documentation.

Particular suitability

- Small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)
- Voluntary, community and social enterprises (VCSE)

Submission

Enquiry deadline

18 March 2026, 12:00pm

Submission type

Tenders

Tender submission deadline

25 March 2026, 12:00pm

Submission address and any special instructions

Tenders to be submitted via MultiQuote.

<https://suppliers.multiquote.com>.

Tenders may be submitted electronically

Yes

Languages that may be used for submission

English

Award decision date (estimated)

15 May 2026

Award criteria

| Name | Type | Weighting |
|-------------------|-------------|------------------|
| Curriculum Model | Quality | 30% |
| Quality Assurance | Quality | 20% |
| Safeguarding | Quality | 20% |
| Operational Plan | Quality | 15% |
| Compliance | Quality | 15% |

Other information

Conflicts assessment prepared/revised

Yes

Procedure

Procedure type

Competitive flexible procedure

Special regime

Light touch

Competitive flexible procedure description

We envisage the tender process will consist of the following stages:

Stage One (this stage): Tender issued and Bidders submit a response to this Tender. PSQ and Conditions of Participation are assessed. Suppliers not meeting any Conditions of Participation will not progress any further.

Stage Two: Tender responses from Bidders that pass Stage 1 are evaluated. Down-selection of Bidders occurs and shortlisted Bidders are invited to Stage Three.

Stage Three: Shortlisted Bidders from Stage Two will meet College representatives for discussion about their tender response and the Project.

This stage will likely include a presentation from the shortlisted bidders in order to further explore key elements of the tender response as well as addressing the overall delivery of any Objectives. This will be explained in more detail within the ITT and/or for shortlisted bidders.

Stage Four until the Final stage: Re-evaluation of tender responses will take place. This may be following further, refined or Final Stage tender responses from Bidders or further meetings.

Further short-listing and down selection (in a similar fashion to Stage 2 and 3) may take place in subsequent stages (i.e. stage 5, 6 etc) to reduce the number of Bidders until the Final Stage.

Final stage: Submission and evaluation of 'best and final' tender responses, followed by internal award process and all necessary award procedures.

Please note that whilst this section is correct to the best of our knowledge, we reserve the right to vary the process. Such variation may include the addition or removal of procurement stages based on our sole discretion.

The College reserves the right to refine the award criteria and / or weightings during the process, up to the point before any 'best and final' tender responses from Bidders at the Final Stage.

Documents

Associated tender documents

<https://suppliers.multiquote.com>

To access this competition:

Registered:

Login to <https://suppliers.multiquote.com> and view the opportunity CA17293.

Not registered:

Visit <https://suppliers.multiquote.com> then register and quote CA17293 as the reason for registration.

Any queries please contact MultiQuote on 0151 482 9230.

Contracting authority

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