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Contract

## **S4S ~ Cluster 8 ~ Catering Tender**

Services for Schools Ltd (S4S)  
Bantock Primary School  
Lanesfield Primary School  
Merridale Primary School  
Oak Meadow Primary School  
Uplands Junior School  
St Martin's Multi Academy Trust

F03: Contract award notice

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## **Section I: Contracting authority**

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

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**Country**

United Kingdom

**NUTS code**

UKG39 - Wolverhampton

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://www.services4schools.org.uk/>

**I.1) Name and addresses**

Bantock Primary School

Aston Street

Wolverhampton

WV3 0HY

**Email**

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**Telephone**

+44 1276673880

**Country**

United Kingdom

**NUTS code**

UKG39 - Wolverhampton

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://www.bantockprimaryschool.co.uk/>

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

Lanesfield Primary School

Newman Avenue

Wolverhampton

WV4 6BZ

#### **Email**

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

#### **Telephone**

+44 1276673880

#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **NUTS code**

UKG39 - Wolverhampton

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

Main address

<https://www.lanesfieldprimary.co.uk/>

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

Merridale Primary School

Aspen Way

Wolverhampton

WV3 0UP

#### **Email**

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

**Telephone**

+44 1276673880

**Country**

United Kingdom

**NUTS code**

UKG39 - Wolverhampton

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://www.merridaleprimary.co.uk/>

**I.1) Name and addresses**

Oak Meadow Primary School

Ryan Avenue

Wolverhampton

WV11 2QQ

**Email**

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

**Telephone**

+44 1276673880

**Country**

United Kingdom

**NUTS code**

UKG39 - Wolverhampton

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://www.oakmeadowsschool.uk/>

**I.1) Name and addresses**

Uplands Junior School

Finchfield Road East

Wolverhampton

WV3 8BA

**Email**

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

**Telephone**

+44 1276673880

**Country**

United Kingdom

**NUTS code**

UKG39 - Wolverhampton

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

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

**I.1) Name and addresses**

St Martin's Multi Academy Trust

Wallace Road, Bradley

Wolverhampton

WV14 8BS

**Email**

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

**Telephone**

+44 1276673880

**Country**

United Kingdom

**NUTS code**

UKG39 - Wolverhampton

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://smartmat.org.uk/>

**I.2) Information about joint procurement**

The contract involves joint procurement

**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**

S4S ~ Cluster 8 ~ Catering Tender

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

- 55524000 - School catering services

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

Services

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

This tender process is a collaborative project, undertaken by The Litmus Partnership Ltd on behalf of Services4Schools (S4S). S4S are conducting a Lotted tender process for eight Schools, known as Cluster 8.

#### **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: £3,614,000

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

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

S4S ~ Cluster 8 ~ Lot 1

Lot No

1

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

- 55524000 - School catering services

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

NUTS codes

- UKG39 - Wolverhampton

Main site or place of performance

Wolverhampton

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

The successful Supplier will be required to provide catering services for the Schools within S4S Cluster 8. This is a Lotted tender project for the following Schools and Trust in Wolverhampton:

Lot 1

Bantock Primary School, Aston Street, Wolverhampton, WV3 0HY

Lanesfield Primary School, Newman Avenue, Wolverhampton, WV4 6BZ

Merridale Primary School, Aspen Way, Wolverhampton WV3 0UP

Oak Meadow Primary School, Ryan Avenue, Wolverhampton, WV11 2QQ

Uplands Junior School, Finchfield Road East, Wolverhampton, WV3 8BA

It is expected that any bidding contractor will submit for all eight Schools as one contract, however, the Trust reserve the right to award their contract separately from the other five Schools, if necessary.

The contract covers the scope for the provision of all catering services within the schools, which is inclusive of all hospitality and free issue requirements.

The duration of the contract being offered is for an initial three-year period commencing on 1 September 2022 and concluding on 31 August 2025, with the potential to then extend for a further period of two years. This extension will be granted by mutual consent and on the same terms and conditions as the original contract without the right to further extend beyond the full five years.

The contract being offered within this tender will be on a guaranteed performance basis.

The Cluster is seeking a suitably experienced contractor who is able to evidence working with multiple Schools with varying requirements. The successful contractor will already have, or need to develop, a strong operational base within the West Midlands, thus

allowing for both adequate contract support and operational flexibility that is to be delivered to support the contract as and when needed moving forwards into this contract term.

TUPE is expected to apply. It is possible that a number of employees are members of the Local Government Pension Scheme (LGPS) and therefore the successful contractor will be expected to gain Admitted Body Status (ABS) in order to continue contributing to the scheme.

Within all schools, the Cluster wishes to offer good wholesome healthy eating options within the menus which should be based on the use of fresh ingredients and bakery products sourced through a local supply chain.

The Cluster also wishes to achieve as a result of this tender process;

- 1.Experienced and insightful contract management to promote good levels of communication and engagement with each School and Trusts.
- 2.Well-trained catering teams at each school, with a focus by the successful contractor on both craft training and customer service.
- 3.The provision of a healthy balanced menu that meets nutritional guidelines and is enjoyed by all students.
- 4.An effective marketing campaign that is suitable and appropriate for each school that should be promoted effectively to both pupils and parents alike.
- 5.Total transparency with accounts that are clear and easy to understand.

To achieve overall value for money is an objective of this tender – however please note that the Cluster is not obliged to accept the lowest price and the contract award will be in line with the marking matrix published with the tender specification.

#### **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**

S4S ~ Cluster 8 ~ Lot 2

Lot No

2

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

- 55524000 - School catering services

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

NUTS codes

- UKG39 - Wolverhampton

Main site or place of performance

Wolverhampton

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

The successful Supplier will be required to provide catering services for the Schools within S4S Cluster 8. This is a Lotted tender project for the following Schools and Trust in Wolverhampton:

Lot 2

St Martin's Multi Academy Trust, comprising:

St Martin's CE Primary Academy, Wallace Road, Wolverhampton, WV14 8BS

Field View Primary Academy, Lonsdale Road, Wolverhampton, WV14 7AE

Grove Primary Academy, Caledonia Road, Wolverhampton, WV2 1JA

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#### **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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## **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 000-023053](#)

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

### **Contract No**

023053

### **Lot No**

1

### **Title**

S4S ~ Cluster 8 ~ Lot 1

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

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

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

8 April 2022

#### **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**

Cater Link Ltd

Earley West, 300 Thames Valley Park Drive

Reading

RG6 1PT

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKJ11 - Berkshire

National registration number

3732298

The contractor is an SME

No

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £85,656.75

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

#### **Lot No**

2

#### **Title**

S4S ~ Cluster 8 ~ Lot 2

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

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

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

8 April 2022

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

Number of tenders received: 6

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 6

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £96,882.05

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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**

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