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Contract

The Priory Learning Trust ~ Catering Tender

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F03: Contract award notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-02da25

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

The Priory Learning Trust

Queensway

Weston-super-Mare

BS22 6BP

Email

tenders@litmuspartnership.co.uk

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Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

UKK12 - Bath and North East Somerset, North Somerset and South Gloucestershire

Internet address(es)

Main address

<https://www.theplt.org.uk/index.php>

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

I.5) Main activity

Education

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 successful Supplier will be required to provide catering services for The Priory Learning Trust.

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: £3,000,000

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKK12 - Bath and North East Somerset, North Somerset and South Gloucestershire

Main site or place of performance

Bath and North East Somerset, North Somerset and South Gloucestershire

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The successful tenderer will be required to provide all catering services within the Trust, which also includes all hospitality and free issue requirements.

The Trust is an established Multi Academy Trust (MAT) which currently includes the following academies where the successful contractor will be required to deliver a service and meet the requirements of the specification from the contract commencement. The Schools which currently form the Trust are:

- Worle Community School – an Academy ~ Redwing Dr, Worle, Weston-super-Mare BS22 8XX
- Priory Community School – an Academy ~ Queensway, Weston-super-Mare BS22 6BP
- Castle Batch Primary School Academy ~ Rawlins Ave, Weston-super-Mare BS22 7FN
- St Anne’s Church Academy (Hewish)~ Bristol Road, Hewish, Weston-super-Mare BS24 6RT
- St Anne’s Church Academy (West Wick) ~ 1 Scot Elm Dr, West Wick, Weston-super-Mare BS24 7JU
- The King Alfred School – an Academy ~ Burnham Rd, Highbridge TA9 3EE (With a delivered service to West Huntspill Primary Academy, East Huntspill Primary Academy and Pawlett Primary School Academy)
- West Huntspill Primary Academy ~ New Road, West Huntspill, Highbridge, Somerset, TA9 3QE
- East Huntspill Primary Academy ~ New Road. East Huntspill. Highbridge. Somerset. TA9 3PT
- Pawlett Primary School Academy ~ Gaunts Rd, Pawlett, Bridgwater TA6 4SB

The contract being tendered is for three years in duration from 1 August 2022 until 31 July 2025, there will be the option to extend the contract for a further period of three years on a 1 + 1 + 1 basis on the same terms and conditions excluding the right to further extend beyond six years in duration.

The contract being offered and will be guaranteed performance in nature.

The tender project is seeking to appoint a Contractor whose initiative and innovation will be welcomed for the provision of all catering services within the Trust. The high-quality service levels proposed, should maintain excellent standards throughout, resulting in a new food service offer with consistent high standards of food operations across all Schools.

These new standards of operation should meet the needs of the pupils in both the Pre School, Primary and Secondary Schools moving forwards into this contract term, recognising that different food offers and menus will be required for each sector. It is our aim to enhance the use of local suppliers for all fresh foods which should include, fruit and vegetables, dairy products, eggs, meat and bakery products. The current range of foods needs to be expanded. Regular customer engagement will be required to ensure this is the case moving into the contract term.

The contract will operate on guaranteed cost or surplus per year for each school with all universal free school meals, free school meals and hospitality being charged based on consumption and at net food cost.

The approximate cost of the contract per annum is £500,000.00 plus VAT (please note that this was for 2020/2021 which wasn't necessarily a representative year).

The Trust is expected to grow in the number of schools during this contract period, and the provision of catering services within these schools when they have joined the Trust will fall under the scope of this contract. The successful contractor will be expected to provide this service within these additional schools using the same costing model, ratios etc. that they applied to their successful tender submission for The Trust at the point of tender submission. The duration of contract for these schools will not be increased and they will join the contract for the remaining contract period that exists at the point of entry into the Trust.

Please note: Further schools may be added to the contract during the tender process and during the life of the contract as detailed above.

Please see the 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

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

Contract No

021173

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

23 May 2022

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 4

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 4

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Aspens Services Limited

Ground Floor, Teme House, Whittington Road, Whittington

Worcester

WR5 2RY

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKG12 - Worcestershire

National registration number

06561073

The contractor is an SME

No

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £5,506,183.14

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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