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Tender

Langdon Park School Catering Tender

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Scope

Description

Langdon Park School is a co-educational secondary school in the London Borough of Tower Hamlets with a student population of 1400 aged between 11 and 18 years of age. The school is supported by a team of over 100 teaching and support staff, including the catering team have LGPS pension schemes. There is one busy main restaurant, equipped with a modern, well-maintained kitchen, serving as the hub of its catering provision.

The School Business Manager, Jess Hughes, in collaboration with the Headteacher and Senior Leadership Team (SLT), is committed to enhancing the school's catering services. As part of this commitment, the school is tendering its catering contract to secure a provider that can deliver the very best service for every student at the school. The new contract will commence mid- August 2025 for an initial three-year term, with an option to extend for a further two years, subject to satisfactory performance and client agreement on budgets and service levels.

Due to accelerated timelines, the procurement process will consist of a one stage Invitation to Tender (ITT) process, managed under the Light Touch Regime. The School reserves the right to refine the award criteria throughout.

Compliance with the London Borough of Tower Hamlets Mayor's Free School Meals Conditions of Grant is mandatory. Food Standards are subject to review by the council.

This contract is designed to reward proactive management, ensuring high meal uptake, consistently high food quality and tangible contract support. The School, alongside CCL, expects the successful Contractor to guarantee their financial proposal and maintain excellent service standards.

The School Business Manager and SLT has outlined key priorities for this tender, including:

A TUPE-compliant bid with recommendations for service equipment, serving points, staffing levels and a bespoke food concept to drive sales and uptake.

In short, the School seeks a trusted catering partner who can deliver their promises, achieve their sales targets, deliver their service enhancements in full. If bidders fail to demonstrate their ability to meet expectations, the school reserves the right to revert to an 'insourced' solution or post no award. Any investment proposals will need to be consistent with ESFA guidelines.

Total value (estimated)

- £7,000,000 excluding VAT
- £84,000,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Contract dates (estimated)

- 22 August 2025 to 22 August 2028
- Possible extension to 11 August 2030
- 4 years, 11 months, 21 days

Description of possible extension:

There is an an option to extend for a further two years, subject to satisfactory performance and client agreement on budgets and service levels.

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 55524000 - School catering services

Contract locations

- UKI42 - Tower Hamlets

Participation

Particular suitability

Small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)

Submission

Enquiry deadline

4 June 2025, 2:00pm

Submission type

Requests to participate

Deadline for requests to participate

11 June 2025, 2:00pm

Submission address and any special instructions

<https://in-tendhost.co.uk/cohesionconsulting.aspx/Home>

Tenders may be submitted electronically

Yes

Languages that may be used for submission

English

Award decision date (estimated)

19 June 2025

Award criteria

Name	Description	Type
Simple description	All details of the award criteria are included in the ITT documents.	Price

Weighting description

All details of the award criteria are included in the ITT documents.

Other information

Payment terms

30 days

Description of risks to contract performance

none

Conflicts assessment prepared/revised

Yes

Procedure

Procedure type

Competitive flexible procedure

Special regime

Light touch

Competitive flexible procedure description

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Reduced tendering period

Yes

Light touch contract - no minimum

Documents

Documents to be provided after the tender notice

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Contracting authority

Langdon Park School

- UK Register of Learning Providers (UKPRN number): 10016327

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Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government

Other organisation

These organisations are carrying out the procurement, or part of it, on behalf of the contracting authorities.

Cohesion Consulting Ltd

Summary of their role in this procurement: Cohesion are managing the procurement on behalf of the school

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