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Contract

Unity Schools Partnership - Catering Services

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F03: Contract award notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-0323cb

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

Unity Schools Partnership

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Haverhill

CB9 7YD

Contact

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Email

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Telephone

+44 1256467107

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

UKH14 - Suffolk

Internet address(es)

Main address

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

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Other type

Educational Institute

I.5) Main activity

Education

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Unity Schools Partnership - Catering Services

Reference number

MPN-10209

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 55524000 - School catering services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Unity Schools Partnership is currently out to tender for the provision of a full daily catering service for 29 of the Trust's schools, including 7 Secondary Schools, 4 Special Schools, 2 Middle Schools and 15 Primary Schools. The services at the Trust schools are outsourced. The Contractor will be responsible for the provision of a full school food catering service for the pupils and staff at the Trust schools. This will consist of breakfast and morning breaks at some sites and full lunch service for each school day at all sites. TUPE is expected to apply, details of which can be found in the tender documentation.

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: £16,053,759

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 55524000 - School catering services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKH14 - Suffolk

Main site or place of performance

Full details in tender documentation

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: All criteria are stated only in the procurement documents /

Weighting: 85

Price - Weighting: 15

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: Yes

Description of options

The contract will be awarded for an initial period of 3 years with two possible extensions of 12 months meaning a maximum contract length of 5 years.

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

The duration detailed above includes the initial term of 3 years as well as the two optional contract extension periods of 12 months each.

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: No

IV.2) Administrative information

IV.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure

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Section V. Award of contract

Contract No

Unity Schools Partnership

Title

Catering Services

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

26 July 2022

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 4

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 0

Number of tenders received from tenderers from other EU Member States: 0

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 0

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

Cater Link Ltd

Earley West, 300 Thames Valley Park Drive

Reading

RG6 1PT

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKJ11 - Berkshire

Internet address

www.caterlinkltd.co.uk

The contractor is an SME

No

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

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot: £12,567,000

Total value of the contract/lot: £16,053,759

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

High Court

Strand

London

WC2A 2LL

Country

United Kingdom

VI.4.3) Review procedure

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

Unity Schools Partnership will incorporate a standstill period at the point information on the award of the contract is communicated to tenderers. That notification will provide full information on the award decision. The standstill period, which will be for a minimum of 10 calendar days, provides time for unsuccessful tenderers to challenge the award decision before the contract is entered into. The Public Contracts Regulations 2015 provide for aggrieved parties who have been harmed or are at risk of harm by a breach of the rules to take action in the High Court (England, Wales and Northern Ireland)