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Contract

Highworth Grammar School ~ Catering Tender

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F03: Contract award notice

Notice identifier: 2024/S 000-023149

Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-0439d8

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

Highworth Grammar School

Highworth Grammar School, Maidstone Road

Ashford

TN24 8UD

Email

tenders@litmuspartnership.co.uk

Telephone

+44 1276673880

Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UKJ4 - Kent

Internet address(es)

Main address

<https://www.highworth.kent.sch.uk/>

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 tender project is seeking to appoint a Contractor whose initiative and innovation will be welcomed for the provision of service not only within the existing facilities, but also by developing and extending the service available to the 1,535 students on roll and 155 teaching and support staff. The school would wish the successful contractor to review the current range of services offered and make recommendations accordingly.

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: £1,754,503

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKJ4 - Kent

Main site or place of performance

Kent

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Highworth Grammar School is a successful 11-18 selective girls' school including 80 boys in the sixth form. The school is widely recognised as being innovative and highly successful. During the June 2013 Ofsted inspection, the school was judged to be an outstanding school. In 2019 our A level results placed us in the top 25% of schools nationally. The school was previously granted speciality status for music and became an Academy in 2011.

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The contract being tendered is for a minimum of three years in duration from 1 August 2024 and will operate as a Guaranteed Performance Contract, with the successful Contractor offering the school additional investment and a guaranteed return for the provision of catering services.

The number of days when the school will be open to students will be close to 190 days but varies depending on the spread of the term dates. It will typically be between 185 and 190 days (187 in 2023/24). On staff development days (5 in 2023/24) hospitality is required, as lunch will be provided for staff.

The contract offered covers the scope for the provision of all catering services within the school, which currently includes morning break, lunch, all hospitality and free issue requirements. Free School meals and hospitality will be charged based on consumption and at net food cost.

Whilst the School prioritises value for money as a key objective of the Competitive Tender Process, the Governing body is not obliged to accept the lowest price.

Please see 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

II.2.14) Additional information

Please note, this is a Contract Award Notice, this contract has already been awarded.

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

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

8 July 2024

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 6

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Cater Link Limited

Earley West, 300 Thames Valley Park Drive

Reading

RG6 1PT

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKJ11 - Berkshire

National registration number

03732298

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: £1,320,000

Total value of the contract/lot: £1,754,503

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. It will be the supplier's responsibility to obtain any necessary documents in order to submit a response by the closing date and time. The contracting authority reserves the right not to award any or part of the contract which is the subject of this contract notice and reserves the right to terminate the procurement process at any time. The contracting authority will not be liable for any costs incurred by those expressing an interest in tendering for this contract opportunity.

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VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

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