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## **Market Engagement - Corporate Catering Provision**

London and Quadrant Housing Trust

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Prior information only

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### **Section I: Contracting authority**

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

London and Quadrant Housing Trust

29 – 35 West Ham Lane

Stratford

E15 4PH

#### **Contact**

Procurement

#### **Email**

[JSummers@lqgroup.org.uk](mailto:JSummers@lqgroup.org.uk)

#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **NUTS code**

UKI41 - Hackney and Newham

**National registration number**

30441R

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

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

Buyer's address

<https://www.in-tendhost.co.uk/lqsupplychainmanagement/asp/Home>

**I.3) Communication**

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

**I.4) Type of the contracting authority**

Regional or local Agency/Office

**I.5) Main activity**

Housing and community amenities

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**Section II: Object**

**II.1) Scope of the procurement**

**II.1.1) Title**

Market Engagement - Corporate Catering Provision

**II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 55500000 - Canteen and catering services

**II.1.3) Type of contract**

Services

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

This is a market testing exercise. L&Q wishes to engage with the market for feedback on solutions to deliver a catering provision from our head office in Stratford, London. L&Q is seeking solutions that can provide the following, • A model that represents value for money. • Seasonal and sustainable produce that will be reasonably priced and appeal to all dietary requirements. • Opportunities to increase L&Q colleagues' use of the catering service and support corporate wellbeing strategies. • Innovation to reduce waste and support our environmental and sustainability goals. We are inviting interested parties to provide feedback on corporate catering services to help us understand the level of interest and viability in the delivery of this service. Interested parties will be invited to participate in this market testing by completing a questionnaire by registering their interest by email to Jo Summers [JSummers@lqgroup.org.uk](mailto:JSummers@lqgroup.org.uk) by 14.00 on 23/08/2023.

#### **II.1.6) Information about lots**

This contract is divided into lots: No

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

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

- 55500000 - Canteen and catering services
- 55510000 - Canteen services
- 55512000 - Canteen management services
- 55511000 - Canteen and other restricted-clientele cafeteria services

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

NUTS codes

- UKI41 - Hackney and Newham

Main site or place of performance

L&Q's Head Office, Stratford, London, UK.

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

L&Q's Corporate Facilities department has responsibility for providing great working environments to our people. Since introducing agile working around 150 to 200 of our people will work from Monday to Friday at our head office in Stratford, London. We believe our office facilities should support our people to be their best at work and this includes being able to access a high-quality, vibrant, and nutritious on-site catering

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### **II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice**

11 August 2023

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## **Section IV. Procedure**

### **IV.1) Description**

#### **IV.1.8) Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)**

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: No

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.3) Additional information**

L&Q is a regulated charitable housing association and one of the UK's most successful social businesses. We house around 250,000 people in more than 105,000 homes, primarily across London, the South East and the North West. We're a long-term partner in the neighbourhoods where we work. We build aspiration, opportunity, and confidence for everyone in our communities. Our vision is that everyone deserves a quality home that provides them with the opportunity to live a better life. This echoes our purpose to provide homes and neighbourhoods that everyone can be proud of. We will do this by delivering safe, high-quality homes, services, and support for all our residents. As a regulated charitable housing association, all the money we make is reinvested into new and existing homes, creating successful communities, and providing services for our residents. This makes us one of the UK's most successful independent social businesses. L&Q is regulated by Homes England and the Regulator of Social Housing (registration number L4517) and is an exempt charity registered under the Co-operative & Community Benefit Societies Act 2014 (registration number 30441R). L&Q's Corporate Facilities department has responsibility for providing great working environments to our people. Since introducing agile working around 150 to 200 of our people will work from Monday to Friday at our head office in Stratford, London. We believe our office facilities should support our people to be their best at work and this includes being able to access a high-quality, vibrant, and nutritious on-site catering provision. This is a market testing exercise. L&Q wishes to engage with the market for feedback on solutions to deliver a catering provision from our head office in Stratford, London. We are inviting interested parties to provide feedback on corporate catering services to help us understand the level of interest and viability in the delivery of this service. Interested parties will be invited to participate in this market testing by completing a questionnaire. Parties interested in this market testing exercise are invited to register their interest by email to, Jo Summers [JSummers@lqgroup.org.uk](mailto:JSummers@lqgroup.org.uk) No later than 14:00 on Wednesday 23/08/2023. A link to the market testing questionnaire will be provided by email. Responses to this notice and the questionnaire may be used to inform L&Q's strategy for procuring services; L&Q may contact responding interested parties directly to discuss or clarify their response. L&Q reserves the right to amend what is set out in the market testing. Any procurement process that may be conducted subsequently to this market testing will only be in accordance with the procurement documents that are published. Participation or non-participation in this market testing shall not prevent any interested party from participating in a potential future procurement, nor is it intended that any information supplied as part of the engagement shall place any interested party at an advantage in a potential procurement process. Interested parties will not be prejudiced by any response, failure to respond to the market testing, or failure to participate in any follow-up activities that may be arranged at the absolute discretion of L&Q. Participation in this market testing will be at each organisation's own cost. No expense in responding to this market testing will be reimbursed by L&Q.