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# The Girls' Learning Trust ~ Catering Tender

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F02: Contract notice

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# **Section I: Contracting authority**

## I.1) Name and addresses

The Girls' Learning Trust

Nonsuch High School for Girls, Ewell Road, Cheam

Sutton

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## **Telephone**

+44 1276673880

## Country

**United Kingdom** 

## Region code

UKI63 - Merton, Kingston upon Thames and Sutton

## Internet address(es)

Main address

http://www.nonsuchschool.org/321/welcome-from-the-ceo

## I.3) Communication

The procurement documents are available for unrestricted and full direct access, free of charge, at

https://www.delta-esourcing.com/tenders/UK-UK-Sutton:-School-catering-services./W787AD3ZD3

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted to the above-mentioned address

# 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 Girls' Learning Trust.

## II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £5,920,000

### II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

## II.2) Description

## II.2.3) Place of performance

**NUTS** codes

• UKI63 - Merton, Kingston upon Thames and Sutton

Main site or place of performance

Merton, Kingston upon Thames and Sutton

### II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The Girls' Learning Trust (GLT) was formed in September 2015 and consists of three schools: Nonsuch High School for Girls, Wallington High School for Girls and Carshalton High School for Girls. All three are high performing, successful schools located in the

London Borough of Sutton. As one of only two all-girls multi academy trusts in the UK, our aim is to empower girls and young women by delivering a first-class education and providing an inspirational start to their futures.

With around 4,000 students, 400 staff and a highly effective operating model, GLT gives member schools the financial and operational strength to drive school improvement and provides increased opportunities for students and staff across the Trust. The Trust is looking to grow to be a 5 school multi-academy trust in the future retaining the all-girls identity and operating within the London and South East region.

#### The Tender

The tender project is seeking to appoint a Contractor whose initiative and innovation will be welcomed for the provision of service within the existing facilities of all schools, with a focus on exciting new food concepts to satisfy a wide range of pupil tastes and dietary requirements. The Schools would wish the successful contractor to review the current range of services offered and make recommendations accordingly.

The contract being tendered is for three years in duration from 1st August 2023 to 31st July 2026 with the option to extend for up to a further 2 years at the discretion of the client. This contract will operate as a Guaranteed Performance Contract, with the successful Contractor offering the School a guaranteed return / cost per annum for the provision of catering services. Sovereignty of the cash tariff is to remain with the Trust for the duration of this contract.

The school year at all schools is based on 189 trading days however the school can have up to five days which are used for staff professional development.

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 are to be charged with a margin attached and hospitality will be charged based on consumption and at net food cost.

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

The Trust expects the successful contractor to enable the continued development of catering through the provision of an innovative, healthy food service, with fresh, seasonal, locally sourced ingredients being prepared on-site. The Trust expects the successful tenderer to evidence, through their bid, how they shall support and complement its values and support the principles of Every Child Matters.

The Trust believes that success should be celebrated and that pupils should enjoy their time at school; if lessons are stimulating and challenging then students will love learning.

As a Trust which is continually seeking ways to improve and develop the ethos and environment for students and staff, to give them the facilities they deserve and need to meet the challenges of the 21st Century, any consideration regarding funding improvements as part of the Contractor's tender submission would be welcomed.

Please see the SQ document for more details.

#### II.2.5) Award criteria

Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

#### II.2.6) Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: £5,920,000

## II.2.7) Duration of the contract, framework agreement or dynamic purchasing system

Start date

1 August 2023

End date

31 July 2028

This contract is subject to renewal

No

#### II.2.9) Information about the limits on the number of candidates to be invited

Envisaged minimum number: 5

Maximum number: 10

Objective criteria for choosing the limited number of candidates:

A minimum of 5 suppliers and a maximum of 10 suppliers will be taken forward to the tender stage of the process. Where less than 5 suppliers meet the minimum standards, only those that meet the minimum standards will be taken through to the tender stage.

Where more than 5 suppliers meet the minimum standard, those suppliers with the highest scores will proceed to the tender stage.

## II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: Yes

### 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 III. Legal, economic, financial and technical information

## III.1) Conditions for participation

## III.1.2) Economic and financial standing

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

### III.1.3) Technical and professional ability

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

## 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.2.2) Time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate

Date

9 December 2022

Local time

12:00pm

# IV.2.3) Estimated date of dispatch of invitations to tender or to participate to selected candidates

17 March 2023

### IV.2.4) Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted

English

# **Section VI. Complementary information**

# VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: No

## 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.

The contracting authority will consider variant bids, evaluating them (so far as the variant or the evaluation of the variant is in the opinion of the contracting authority practicable) on the same basis as a conforming bid, but shall not be obliged to accept any such bid in preference to a conforming bid even if the variant bid scores more highly. No variant will be considered unless the bidder simultaneously submits a conforming bid.

For more information about this opportunity, please visit the Delta eSourcing portal at:

https://litmustms.co.uk/tenders/UK-UK-Sutton:-School-catering-services./W787AD3ZD3

To respond to this opportunity, please click here:

https://litmustms.co.uk/respond/W787AD3ZD3

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# VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

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