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Award

PP-10154 Ricards Lodge High School Catering

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Scope

Reference

PP-10154

Description

Ricards Lodge is a girls secondary school in Wimbledon, South West London with 1400 pupils and a mixed sixth form.

Ricards Lodge High School believe that food plays a vital role in supporting student attendance, engagement, and overall wellbeing. We are seeking a catering partner that not only provides high-quality, nutritious meals but also shares our values of inclusivity, student welfare, and continuous innovation.

Our ideal catering partner will:

Promote Wellbeing & Attendance - By offering balanced, appealing, and nutritious meals, the catering service should encourage students to enjoy their school lunches, reducing absences

linked to poor diet and lack of engagement with food. Initiatives such as themed food days, breakfast clubs, and increased interaction between the school and the Chef, can help ensure every student has access to meals that fuel learning.

Embrace Innovation - The school encourage creative menu planning that introduces students to new, exciting, and healthy food choices while considering sustainability, seasonality, and reducing food waste.

Reflect Our School's Cultural Diversity - The school community is enriched by a wide range of cultural backgrounds, and they want their catering service to celebrate this diversity. Menus should offer culturally appropriate meals, including vegetarian, halal, and allergen-friendly options, ensuring all students feel included and represented. The school also value opportunities for themed cultural food events that educate and engage students in different global cuisines.

Work in Partnership with the School - The catering provider should collaborate with staff, students, and parents to continually refine and improve the service. Regular feedback mechanisms, tasting sessions, and involvement in school initiatives-such as healthy eating campaigns or wellbeing programs-will help strengthen the connection between food, education, and student success.

There is no LGPS.

Further information on the Client's requirements can be found at Attachment 1a Client Data and Attachment 1b Specification.

The Contract period will be for 3 years initially, with the option to extend for two further one-year periods at the discretion of the Client.

Contract 1. PP-10154 Ricards Lodge High School Catering

Supplier

- [Cucina Restaurants Ltd](#)

Contract value

- £2,667,821.17 excluding VAT
- £3,201,385.40 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Award decision date

10 June 2025

Date assessment summaries were sent to tenderers

10 June 2025

Standstill period

- End: 19 June 2025
- 8 working days

Earliest date the contract will be signed

19 July 2025

Contract dates (estimated)

- 1 September 2025 to 1 September 2028
- Possible extension to 1 September 2030
- 5 years, 1 day

Description of possible extension:

Option to extend for two further one-year periods at the discretion of the Client

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 55524000 - School catering services
- 55523100 - School-meal services
- 15894210 - School meals

Information about tenders

- 3 tenders received
- 1 tender assessed in the final stage:
 - 0 submitted by small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)
 - 0 submitted by voluntary, community and social enterprises (VCSE)

- 1 supplier awarded contracts
- 0 suppliers unsuccessful (details included for contracts over £5 million)

Procedure

Procedure type

Open procedure

Supplier

Cucina Restaurants Ltd

- Companies House: 05655703

St Andrews House

Woking

GU21 6EB

United Kingdom

Email: tenders@impactfood.co.uk

Region: UKJ25 - West Surrey

Small or medium-sized enterprise (SME): No

Voluntary, community or social enterprise (VCSE): No

Supported employment provider: No

Public service mutual: No

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Contracting authority

Ricards Lodge High School

- UK Register of Learning Providers (UKPRN number): 10017432

Lake Road

Wimbledon

SW19 7HB

United Kingdom

Email: buildingprojects@ricardslodge.org

Region: UKI63 - Merton, Kingston upon Thames and Sutton

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.

Place Group Ltd

Summary of their role in this procurement: Procurement Agent on behalf of client

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