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## **Meridian Academies Trust ~ Cleaning Tender**

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F02: Contract notice

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

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

Meridian Academies Trust

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Huntingdon

PE28 5TQ

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United Kingdom

#### **Region code**

UKH12 - Cambridgeshire CC

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

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

**I.3) Communication**

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

<https://litmustms.co.uk/tenders/UK-UK-Huntingdon:-School-cleaning-services./FBKJ5J82S6>

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

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## **Section II: Object**

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

#### **II.1.1) Title**

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#### **II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 90919300 - School cleaning services

#### **II.1.3) Type of contract**

Services

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

The successful Supplier will be required to provide cleaning services for Meridian Academies Trust.

#### **II.1.5) Estimated total value**

Value excluding VAT: £9,500,000

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

This contract is divided into lots: No

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

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

NUTS codes

- UKH2 - Bedfordshire and Hertfordshire
- UKF2 - Leicestershire, Rutland and Northamptonshire
- UKF3 - Lincolnshire
- UKH12 - Cambridgeshire CC

Main site or place of performance

Bedfordshire and Hertfordshire, Leicestershire, Rutland and Northamptonshire, Lincolnshire, Cambridgeshire CC

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

Meridian Trust is a successful multi academy trust founded in 2011 on its commitment to people and communities. Every child is known, equally valued and supported to achieve their potential in all our academies. Every community we serve benefits from the facilities and services we provide. We ensure that well run schools retain and develop their distinct contextual identity, while sharing and contributing to our common values, practices, curriculum approaches and operational systems.

Our vision is to provide high quality education for all at the heart of local communities and our mission is to deliver, promote and inspire high quality educational provision in schools at the heart of their local communities.

The trust has grown rapidly and consists of 28 schools with a further two expected to join in the next year, so we will be over 30 in the very near future.

Our strategic ambition is for all our schools to have clean, quality facilities for the students and staff on a consistent basis. This project forms an important part of that strategy and we look forward to receiving bids compatible with that.

The value of this contract is circa £1.9m per annum and therefore the total value of the contract is £9.5m over the maximum 5 year term.

The tender project is seeking to appoint a contractor whose initiative and innovation will be welcomed for the provision of cleaning services within the facilities for each school in the Trust. The high-quality service levels proposed, should maintain excellent standards throughout, resulting in a pleasant environment for both the pupils and staff at all schools.

The basis and rationale that the Client requires the successful contractor to operate to at all times, is being able to provide Schools that are fit for purpose and that the Contractor is proactive in the management of the contract, thus ensuring that all specifications are achieved and that the frequency of cleans and standards achieved are as detailed within the Tender Specification.

The contract being tendered is from 1st August 2023 until 31st July 2026 with an option to extend for up to a further 2 years at the discretion of the client. The contract will be fixed price in nature, with the Contractor invoicing the Client for one-twelfth of the annual cost on a monthly basis.

It should be noted that the successful contractor will be expected to bring to the contract: innovation; new equipment; and cleaning methods, with BICSc standards being achieved, as a minimum, thus ensuring that the highest levels of cleanliness are maintained in all areas at all times and also ensuring that the productivity of the cleaning operatives is enhanced moving forward into the new contract term.

Other notes:

- Please be advised that this contract will be let on a 3 + maximum of 2 years basis.
- Please be advised that the Trust has a minimum requirement for a contractor's employers liability/ public liability and professional indemnity insurance of £10m
- The minimum annual turnover that your company must have achieved to be considered for this opportunity is £1m
- Please note that this is a growing Trust. Should any other schools join this Trust during the course of this contract, these schools may, at the discretion of the client, be added to this contract.
- Please note that whilst the trust is very much looking for one contractor for this contract, each school reserves the right to appoint their preferred supplier and each school reserves the right not to appoint as a result of this process.

See 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: £9,500,000

#### **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

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### **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

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## **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

16 December 2022

Local time

12:00pm

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

3 March 2023

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

English

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## **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-Huntingdon:-School-cleaning-services./FBKJ5J82S6>

To respond to this opportunity, please click here:

<https://litmustms.co.uk/respond/FBKJ5J82S6>

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## **VI.4) Procedures for review**

### **VI.4.1) Review body**

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