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## **Nursery Provision of Early Years & Childcare for RAF Wittering, RAF Wyton and RAF Benson**

Ministry of Defence

F01: Prior information notice

Reducing time limits for receipt of tenders

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

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

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United Kingdom

**Region code**

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**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://www.contracts.mod.uk>

**I.3) Communication**

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

<https://www.contracts.mod.uk>

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

Ministry or any other national or federal authority

**I.5) Main activity**

Defence

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## **Section II: Object**

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

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

Nursery Provision of Early Years & Childcare for RAF Wittering, RAF Wyton and RAF Benson

Reference number

712764452

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

- 80110000 - Pre-school education services

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

Services

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

The Royal Air Force are seeking a supplier to deliver high quality, flexible and affordable 0-5 early years provision and wrap around childcare and holiday delivery for 4 - 11 years for service families at the following RAF stations: RAF Wittering, RAF Wyton, and RAF Benson.

Are you passionate about supporting the lives of service children? Would you like to extend your portfolio of nursery and childcare provision and enable children to reach their full potential?

This could be the opportunity to make a positive difference and contribution to ensure our military personnel have a safe, secure, and high-quality nursery to meet theirs and their children's needs. The services must be compliant with the Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS) Framework, and Ofsted.

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

Value excluding VAT: £0.01

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

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

Tenders may be submitted for all lots

Maximum number of lots that may be awarded to one tenderer: 2

The contracting authority reserves the right to award contracts combining the following lots or groups of lots:

Lot 1 to include RAF Wittering and RAF Wyton

Lot 2 to include RAF Benson

## **II.2) Description**

### **II.2.1) Title**

Nursery Provision of Early Years & Childcare for RAF Wittering and RAF Wyton

Lot No

1

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

- 80110000 - Pre-school education services

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

NUTS codes

- UKH12 - Cambridgeshire CC

Main site or place of performance

RAF Wittering, Peterborough & RAF Wyton, Huntingdon

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

The below provides a brief illustration of the current provision and operational delivery of the nursery sites. Please note this is an illustration and detail can be subject to change. There will be scope to work with each station to adapt the operational delivery and outputs of the setting to meet the needs of service families and the station's statement of requirements.

RAF Wittering

The nursery operates out of a purpose-built nursery that is located outside of the wire at RAF Wittering, St. Michaels Road, Peterborough, PE8 6DW. The nursery is open Mon – Fri from 07.30 – 18.00 for 51 days of the year providing up to 100 places for children aged 0-5 years, including an offer of full, half day and sessional options to meet the needs of service families living and working at RAF Wittering. There are currently 121 children on roll. There are 15 staff employed to work with the children. Where capacity permits and is identified additional provision including wraparound childcare and holiday provision for 4 - 11 years should be provided. This is needed to support the workforce of RAF Wittering (Military, Civil Servants, and Contractors) and to also deliver childcare support to the wider local community.

#### RAF Wyton

The nursery operates out of a purpose-built building outside the wire at RAF Wyton, Wiltshire Road, Huntingdon PE28 2EX. The nursery is open Mon – Fri from 07.30 to 18.00, 51 weeks of the year providing up to 78 places for children aged 0-5 years, including an offer of full, half day and sessional options to meet the needs of service families living and working at RAF Honington. There are currently 88 children on roll. There are 20 staff employed to work with the children. The nursery accepts funding to provide free early education for children aged two, three and four years. Wraparound childcare and holiday provision (4 - 11 years) has been identified as a requirement where capacity permits. This would ideally be reinstated to support the workforce of RAF Honington (Military, Civil Servants, and Contractors) and to also deliver childcare support to the wider local community.

### **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: £0.01

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

Duration in months

36

### **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) Description**

### **II.2.1) Title**

Nursery Provision of Early Years & Childcare for RAF Benson

Lot No

2

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

- 80110000 - Pre-school education services

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

NUTS codes

- UKJ14 - Oxfordshire

Main site or place of performance

RAF Benson, Oxfordshire

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

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RAF Benson

The nursery operates behind the wire at RAF Benson, Wallingford, OX10 6AA. The nursery is open Mon – Fri from 07.45 to 17.30, 51 weeks of the year providing up to 104 places for children aged 0-5 years, including an offer of full, half day and sessional options to meet the needs of service families living and working at RAF Honington. There are currently 124 children on roll. There are 25 staff employed to work with the children. The nursery accepts funding to provide free early education for children aged two, three and four years. Wraparound childcare and holiday provision (4 - 11 years) has been identified as a requirement where capacity permits. This would ideally be reinstated to support the workforce of RAF Honington (Military, Civil Servants, and Contractors) and to also deliver childcare support to the wider local community.

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

1 November 2024

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.2) Information about electronic workflows**

Electronic ordering will be used

Electronic invoicing will be accepted

Electronic payment will be used

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

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

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