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Planning

Aspire Academy Trust - Provision of Outsourced Catering Service

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Scope

Reference

ASP01.49

Description

This tender opportunity has been issued by Aspire Academy Trust (“the Trust”). The proposed contract will be for the provision of Outsourced Catering Service to the Trust. The Trust is seeking a Contractor that will deliver the service for this contract, providing a high-quality service, whilst delivering value for money for the school, parents and pupils using the Services. The Contract will include all food and staff provision to support the delivery of the catering services requirement. In addition to the above, the Contractor shall: a. work in partnership with the Trust, operating at Trust level, demonstrating a centralised approach that offers transparency and visibility of management information, KPI and financial performance. This will allow for a robust level of oversight regarding contract delivery as a whole. b. fully utilise the benefits, from a centralised strategy and approach for both parties, continually improving the quality and uptake of meals, particularly for FSM pupils. c. operate a standard approach across all schools, delivering

an exemplary quality of service whilst harnessing a continuous drive for improvement throughout the contract term. d. ensure a high-quality food offering, whilst delivering value for money for schools, pupils and parents using the services. e. offer a service that is aligned to the vision, value and ethos of the Trust. f. be responsible for TUPE of existing staff.

Total value (estimated)

- £12,000,000 excluding VAT
- £14,400,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Contract dates (estimated)

- 5 January 2026 to 4 January 2029
- Possible extension to 4 January 2031
- 5 years

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 55524000 - School catering services

Contract locations

- UKK3 - Cornwall and Isles of Scilly

Engagement

Engagement deadline

6 August 2025

Engagement process description

Attend a Virtual Q&A with the Trust on Tuesday 5th August 9:30 via MS Teams Microsoft Teams Meeting ID: 341 894 193 977 Passcode: zX7yK7Pm

Participation

Particular suitability

Small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)

Submission

Publication date of tender notice (estimated)

12 August 2025

Contracting authority

Aspire Academy Trust

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PRMG-1387-DLGR

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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.

PHP Law LLP

Summary of their role in this procurement: Procurement Consultant

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