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## **Cheviot Learning Trust ~ Catering Tender**

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

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

Cheviot Learning Trust

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Newcastle upon Tyne

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**Region code**

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Main address

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

**I.1) Name and addresses**

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Stobhillgate

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Northumberland

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**I.1) Name and addresses**

Morpeth All Saints

Pinewood Drive, Esh Plaza, Sir Bobby Robson Wa

Northumberland

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<https://www.morpethallsaints.com/>

**I.1) Name and addresses**

Wylam

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Northumberland

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**I.1) Name and addresses**

Prudhoe Castle

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

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<https://whfs.cheviotlt.co.uk/>

**I.2) Information about joint procurement**

The contract involves joint procurement

**I.3) Communication**

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

<https://litmustms.co.uk/respond/5383VM2338>

Additional information can be obtained from another address:

The King Edward VI

Cottingwood Lane, Esh Plaza, Sir Bobby Robson Wa

Northumberland

NE61 1DN

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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**

Cheviot Learning Trust ~ Catering Tender

#### **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 The Cheviot Learning Trust.

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

Value excluding VAT: £5,700,000

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

This contract is divided into lots: No

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

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

NUTS codes

- UKC2 - Northumberland and Tyne and Wear

Main site or place of performance

Northumberland and Tyne and Wear

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

The successful Supplier will be required to provide catering services for The Cheviot Learning Trust.

Contract value = £1,140,000 per annum with the total potential lifetime value of £5.7m. The initial contract award will be for 3 years with the option of 2 x 1-year extensions.

Cheviot Learning Trust educates around 5500 students across 18 schools in Northumberland between the ages of 2 and 19 and employs over 750 staff. They are a three tier Trust with some rural and small schools. The trust self-delivers catering at 17 of the schools, and the 18th school is outsourced. The trust now wishes to appoint a suitably qualified organisation to deliver catering at 11 of the 18 schools. Whilst it's the trusts intention to award all 11 schools to a single contractor, the trust reserves the right to remove schools from this process if it is financially disadvantaged by including them.

The trust LGPS is South Tyneside, who have confirmed that LGPS will be a pass-through agreement, which is the Trusts preference.

The schools that form this tender opportunity are;

High Schools;

The King Edward VI, Cottingwood Lane, Morpeth, Northumberland, NE61 1DN

Middle Schools;

Newminster, Mitford Road, Morpeth, Northumberland, NE61 1RH

Chantry, Mitford Road, Morpeth, Northumberland, NE61 1RQ

OMSOvingham, Prudhoe, Northumberland, NE42 6DE

Highfield, Highfield Lane, Prudhoe, Northumberland, NE42 6EY

First Schools;

Stobhillgate, Stobhill, Morpeth, NE61 2HA

Morpeth All Saints, Pinewood Drive, Lancaster Park, Morpeth, Northumberland, NE61 3RD

Wylam, Bell Road, Wylam, Northumberland, NE41 8EH

Prudhoe Castle, Castle Road, Prudhoe, Northumberland, NE42 6PH

Broomley, Main Road, Stocksfield, Northumberland, NE43 7NN

Whittonstall, Main Road, Whittonstall, Consett, Northumberland, DH8 9JN

## Additional Schools

There is also the potential for further schools in the area to join during the term of the contract. If further establishments join at any time, they do form part of the Service and will be contracted with on the basis of the same terms, conditions and common requirements agreed for the main Service.

The Customer offers no guarantee that further establishments will take up this Service or of final meal numbers involved.

The trusts Purpose; Our core purpose is to advance education for the public benefit. We believe that each school in the Trust family has unique qualities to share and unique challenges to be resolved. Deep collaboration is a key Trust expectation that helps us to deliver significant benefits for the students, the staff and the schools that form the Trust. Each school is stronger in the Trust family; delivering a better education for the public good than if they were outside the Trust.

The trusts Vision; Our purpose is to deliver excellent education for the benefit of all and our mission is to develop all our young people to have the opportunity to succeed.

The trusts Values; Everything we do is based around the values that we hold dear: Innovation We're here to shape the future, which is why we all have a responsibility to be thinking about the big issues of tomorrow; Cooperation We nurture the relationships that we've built over many years and we know by working together we can achieve more than we can alone; Respect We take the time to understand and make decisions and have due regard for the feelings, wishes and rights of others. Excellence We will always strive for continuous improvement and will produce the best solutions and deliver the best services possible.

### **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: £5,700,000

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

Start date

1 August 2025

End date

31 July 2030

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

24 January 2025

Local time

12:00pm

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

Electronic ordering will be used

Electronic invoicing will be accepted

Electronic payment will be used

### **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-Newcastle-upon-Tyne:-School-catering-services./5383VM2338>

To respond to this opportunity, please click here:

<https://litmustms.co.uk/respond/5383VM2338>



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

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

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