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Contract

PP-10147 River Bank Primary School Catering

River Bank Primary School

F03: Contract award notice

Notice identifier: 2025/S 000-042843

Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-04e2a5

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

River Bank Primary School

Bath Road

Luton

LU3 1ES

Contact

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Email

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Telephone

+44 8452577050

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

UKH21 - Luton

Internet address(es)

Main address

<https://www.riverbankprimary.org/>

Buyer's address

<https://in-tendhost.co.uk/placegroup.aspx/Home>

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

I.5) Main activity

Education

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

PP-10147 River Bank Primary School Catering

Reference number

PP-10147

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 55524000 - School catering services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

River Bank Primary School is a primary school located on Bath Road, Luton, Bedfordshire, LU3 1ES with capacity for 840 pupils. The proposed contract will be for the outsourced provision of catering services to the Client. It is the Client's expectation that the Successful Bidder shall be responsible for the operation of the catering function including employment and management of staff, supply of foodstuffs, consumables and light equipment and preparing and serving appropriate meals. The Client will retain responsibility for payment of utilities and the operation and maintenance of core catering equipment and facilities. The Successful bidder will provide a range of good quality, nutritious, attractively presented meals for pupils and staff, that comply with Government's minimum nutritional and food based standards for the educational sector. Meals should reflect growth in healthy eating trends, promote uptake, and comply with the new Ofsted guidance for catering.

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.1.7) Total value of the procurement (excluding VAT)

Value excluding VAT: £1,250,000

II.2) Description**II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

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

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKH21 - Luton

Main site or place of performance

Bath Road, Luton, Bedfordshire, LU3 1ES

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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Bedfordshire, LU3 1ES with capacity for 840 pupils. The proposed contract will be for the outsourced provision of catering services to the Client. It is the Client's expectation that the Successful Bidder shall be responsible for the operation of the catering function including employment and management of staff, supply of foodstuffs, consumables and light equipment and preparing and serving appropriate meals. The Client will retain responsibility for payment of utilities and the operation and maintenance of core catering equipment and facilities. The Successful bidder will provide a range of good quality, nutritious, attractively presented meals for pupils and staff, that comply with Government's minimum nutritional and food based standards for the educational sector. Meals should reflect growth in healthy eating trends, promote uptake, and comply with the new Ofsted guidance for catering. The Successful Bidder shall establish effective management and operational level communication systems at all levels regarding the catering service with customers that include; School management, parents, and pupils. In addition, the Successful Bidder will also be responsible for all legal and health and safety & food safety requirements in delivering the catering services. The financial model required for this contract shall be a Cost Plus model, as set out within the ITT and contract Terms and Conditions. Some catering staff are on Local Government Pension Schemes.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 60

Price - Weighting: 40

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

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Open 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.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure

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Section V. Award of contract

Contract No

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Title

River Bank Primary School Catering

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

7 May 2025

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 3

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 1

Number of tenders received from tenderers from other EU Member States: 0

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 3

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 3

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

abm catering limited

Eagle Court, Saltisford

Warwick

CV34 4AF

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKG13 - Warwickshire

National registration number

04168334

Internet address

www.abmcatering.co.uk

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.4) Information on value of contract/lot (excluding VAT)

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot: £1,250,000

Total value of the contract/lot: £1,482,345.91

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Royal Court of Justice

Strand

London

Country

United Kingdom