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Planning

Provision of Statutory Testing, Servicing and Reactive Repair Services

Plymouth CAST Multi Academy Trust

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Scope

Reference

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Description

The Client is seeking to appoint a single Principal Contractor to deliver the full scope of services: 1) Statutory compliance maintenance and PPM across in-scope mechanical, electrical and specialist systems and services 2) Reactive maintenance in line with the response model in Response Times. 3) Technical support and management of specialist subcontractors engaged under this Contract. 4) 24/7 operations support for emergencies. 5) professional services as required to support the Client's compliance and project delivery, including but not limited to: Statutory inspection reports, testing certificates and compliance advice. Technical support in scoping and specifying remedial works. Design and commissioning input for plant/equipment replacement. CDM 2015 Principal Contractor role where applicable; and Attendance at project meetings, site inspections, and stakeholder briefings. While elements of the service may be subcontracted, the Successful Bidder will remain the sole point of contact for the Client and will retain full

responsibility for the coordination, management, and successful delivery of all aspects of the contract.

Total value (estimated)

- £16,500,000 excluding VAT
- £19,800,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Contract dates (estimated)

- 1 April 2026 to 1 April 2031
- Possible extension to 1 April 2033
- 7 years, 1 day

Description of possible extension:

Two further 12 month extensions (5+1+1)

Options

The right to additional purchases while the contract is valid.

The following are additional services in addition to the statutory testing and servicing. The £16.5m contract value includes the potential for this additional spend over the full term of the contract Remedial Works - £6m Professional Services outside of scope - £3.5m

Main procurement category

Services

Additional procurement category

Works

CPV classifications

- 50000000 - Repair and maintenance services
- 35110000 - Firefighting, rescue and safety equipment
- 45000000 - Construction work
- 50400000 - Repair and maintenance services of medical and precision equipment
- 50413200 - Repair and maintenance services of firefighting equipment
- 50500000 - Repair and maintenance services for pumps, valves, taps and metal containers and machinery
- 50510000 - Repair and maintenance services of pumps, valves, taps and metal containers
- 50700000 - Repair and maintenance services of building installations
- 50710000 - Repair and maintenance services of electrical and mechanical building installations
- 50711000 - Repair and maintenance services of electrical building installations
- 50712000 - Repair and maintenance services of mechanical building installations
- 50720000 - Repair and maintenance services of central heating
- 50730000 - Repair and maintenance services of cooler groups
- 50750000 - Lift-maintenance services
- 71000000 - Architectural, construction, engineering and inspection services
- 71200000 - Architectural and related services

- 71300000 - Engineering services
- 71500000 - Construction-related services
- 71600000 - Technical testing, analysis and consultancy services
- 71620000 - Analysis services
- 71630000 - Technical inspection and testing services
- 71631300 - Technical building-inspection services
- 79993000 - Building and facilities management services
- 90700000 - Environmental services

Contract locations

- UKK - South West (England)

Participation

Legal and financial capacity conditions of participation

Employers Liability 10m, Public Liability 10m and Professional Indemnity £5m. There will be a credit check and financial appraisal. There will be a requirement to have appropriate accreditations for the servicing areas required.

Technical ability conditions of participation

Provide 3 relevant previous contract examples. To constitute a pass, the contract examples provided shall be relevant to the requirement, with a sufficient level of detail that provides confidence in the Tenderer's established past experience in similar and relevant projects/contracts. The contracts must be within the education sector and similar complexity and working on more than one site within the contract.

Particular suitability

Small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)

Submission

Publication date of tender notice (estimated)

9 September 2025

Enquiry deadline

8 September 2025, 12:00pm

Tender submission deadline

27 October 2025, 12:00am

Submission address and any special instructions

https://uk.eu-supply.com/app/rfq/rwlenrance_s.asp?PID=95589&B=

Tenders may be submitted electronically

Yes

Languages that may be used for submission

English

Award decision date (estimated)

15 December 2025

Other information

Payment terms

The Estimated Contract Value is broken down into the 3 key service areas: 1) Statutory testing and servicing - £6m 2) Remedial works - £7m 3) Professional Services outside of scope The Trust are looking for a fixed price service for the core term of the contract, subject to an annual review which will be conducted within an agreed framework which will be laid out in the tender specification. The contract terms and pricing will roll into the extension periods unless any amendments to clauses or pricing is requested and negotiated. Variations will not take effect until they have been mutually agreed by both parties in accordance with the change control procedure of the contract

Description of risks to contract performance

Operational Risks • Service delivery failures: Missed or delayed statutory inspections (e.g., fire safety, gas, electrical) can lead to non-compliance and safety hazards • Reactive repairs delays: Slow response times to urgent repairs may disrupt school operations and pose health and safety risks • Poor contractor performance: Inadequate workmanship or lack of qualified personnel can compromise service quality and trust reputation Financial Risks • Budget overruns: Unexpected costs from reactive repairs or inflationary pressures can exceed allocated budgets • Insufficient reserves: Many trusts are operating with minimal financial buffers, increasing vulnerability to emergency costs • Contractor insolvency: Financial instability of suppliers may lead to service disruption or contract termination. Strategic Risks • Staffing pressures: High turnover or lack of skilled staff within the trust or contractor can affect oversight and delivery • Estate condition:

Poor baseline condition of buildings may lead to higher-than-expected servicing and repair needs • Growth constraints: Limited capacity to expand or adapt services due to financial or resource limitations Compliance & Governance Risks • Regulatory breaches: Failure to meet statutory obligations (e.g., under the Health and Safety at Work Act 1974) can result in legal action or funding consequences • Data protection: Contractors handling sensitive information (e.g., site access logs) must comply with GDPR • Risk register gaps: Inadequate identification or monitoring of risks at board or local level can lead to oversight failures External Risks • Extreme weather: Flooding, storms, or heatwaves can damage infrastructure and increase reactive repair needs • Supply chain disruptions: Material shortages or transport issues can delay servicing and repairs • Policy changes: Shifts in government funding or procurement rules may affect contract scope or viability

Applicable trade agreements

- Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

Procedure

Procedure type

Open procedure

Contracting authority

Plymouth CAST Multi Academy Trust

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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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