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Tender

Thornleigh Salesian Catering Tender 2025

RPJ3 Group - On behalf of Thornleigh Salesian College

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Scope

Description

Thornleigh Salesian College are seeking to procure a provider for catering services.

The provision of the service must demonstrate the best value approach and be flexible in its delivery and operation to ensure that the needs and ethos of the school are supported.

This tender process is targeted to have a catering contract in place to commence in March 2026. Please note that this process covers all catering services within Thornleigh Salesian College with full tender costings and proposals for the college for a contract start in March 2026. These details will be further explained in the ITT documents. The process will include the creation of a select bidder list following analysis of PSQ documents (within which the scoring criteria is included). Following the analysis of PSQ's the selected bidders will be invited to attend a site survey and tender briefing initially planned for early October 2025. Tender responses deadline is planned as late October 2025 and it is envisaged that interviews will take place in mid November 2025. The contract will be for a 3 +1 +1 period (5 years in total including the option to extend for 1 + 1years).

Total value (estimated)

- £2,500,000 excluding VAT
- £3,000,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Contract dates (estimated)

- 1 March 2026 to 30 April 2029
- Possible extension to 30 April 2031
- 5 years, 2 months

Description of possible extension:

Option of up to two further annual extensions after the initial 3 year term meaning a possible 5 year period in total

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 55524000 - School catering services

Contract locations

- UKD - North West (England)
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Participation

Legal and financial capacity conditions of participation

As detailed within the PSQ document

Technical ability conditions of participation

As detailed within the PSQ document

Particular suitability

Small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)

Submission

Enquiry deadline

1 September 2025, 12:00pm

Submission type

Requests to participate

Deadline for requests to participate

15 September 2025, 12:00pm

Submission address and any special instructions

www.mytenders.co.uk

Tenders may be submitted electronically

Yes

Languages that may be used for submission

English

Suppliers to be invited to tender

4 to 10 suppliers

Selection criteria:

A Procurement Specific Questionnaire is completed by suppliers with the highest scoring suppliers being invited to tender.

Award decision date (estimated)

27 November 2025

Award criteria

Name	Description	Type	Weighting
Financial	6/7 financial schedules require completion, providing a fixed price annual cost	Price	50.00%
Qualitative	9 qualitative schedules require responding to.	Quality	50.00%

Other information

Conflicts assessment prepared/revised

Yes

Procedure

Procedure type

Competitive flexible procedure

Competitive flexible procedure description

The competitive flexible procedure will commence with a participation stage whereby a PSQ will be completed by interested suppliers. This will be scored and successful suppliers will be invited to submit a full tender. The tender submissions will be analysed and scored and selected suppliers will be invited to final interview/presentation stage. The contracting Authority will then select the successful supplier and award the contract.

Justification for not publishing a preliminary market engagement notice

Time constraints of the procurement process and to ensure a level playing field so no supplier has an unfair advantage or to distort competition.

Documents

Associated tender documents

https://www.mytenders.co.uk/Authority/NoticeBuilder/NoticeBuilder_FileDownload.aspx?id=608961

PSQ document for the Thornleigh Salesian College Catering Tender 2025

Documents to be provided after the tender notice

Full tender documents will be sent electronically to successful PSQ applicants

Contracting authority

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