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Contract

Southwark Council – Framework for nursery, primary and secondary school food service Case Reference 002747

Southwark Council

F03: Contract award notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

Southwark Council

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Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UKI6 - Outer London – South

Internet address(es)

Main address

<https://www.southwark.gov.uk/>

Buyer's address

<https://www.southwark.gov.uk/>

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Regional or local authority

I.5) Main activity

Health

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Southwark Council – Framework for nursery, primary and secondary school food service
Case Reference 002747

Reference number

Project_9559

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 55524000 - School catering services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Southwark Council has undertaken a procurement exercise to implement a catering

services framework for nursery, primary and secondary schools within the London Borough of Southwark.

The aims of the framework include:

- Continued improvement of nutritional quality and consistency of school meals across Southwark
- Tackling disadvantage and reducing inequalities
- Enhancing social value through job creation for local people, payment of London Living Wage (LLW) and supporting the local economy
- Realising the opportunities for meeting the Council's social value, food security, environmental sustainability and climate emergency agenda.

Within Southwark, there are currently 4 nursery schools, 74 primary schools (including 3 special schools) and 25 secondary schools (including 5 special schools). The value of the school meals market in Southwark is estimated at around £8.3m (primary) and £5.3m (secondary) annually. Currently, most primary school outsourced contracts are for a single school, rather than a group, each with different contract terms. Many secondary school contracts are either in house or as part of an academy grouped contract. Most contracts are currently two to three years in duration.

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

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

Value excluding VAT: £8,000,000

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Lot 1 – Maintained nursery schools - food service provision

Lot No

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 55524000 - School catering services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKI6 - Outer London – South

Main site or place of performance

London Borough of Southwark

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Catering services for Maintained nursery schools

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Menus & Nutrition / Weighting: 20

Quality criterion - Name: Staffing / Weighting: 20

Quality criterion - Name: Medical diets / Weighting: 10

Quality criterion - Name: Training and development / Weighting: 10

Quality criterion - Name: Sustainability and climate / Weighting: 10

Quality criterion - Name: Social value / Weighting: 10

Price - Weighting: 20

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: Yes

Description of options

Option to extend for up to 12 months following the initial 36 month term

II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Lot 2 – Primary and special schools - food service provision (including nursery classes in primary schools)

Lot No

2

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 55524000 - School catering services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKI6 - Outer London – South

Main site or place of performance

London Borough of Southwark

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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Quality criterion - Name: Social value / Weighting: 10

Price - Weighting: 20

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: Yes

Description of options

Option to extend for up to 12 months following the initial 36 month term

II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Lot 3 – Secondary schools - food service provision

Lot No

3

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 55524000 - School catering services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKI6 - Outer London – South

Main site or place of performance

London Borough of Southwark

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Catering services for Secondary schools including all through schools

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Menus & Nutrition / Weighting: 20

Quality criterion - Name: Staffing / Weighting: 20

Quality criterion - Name: Medical diets / Weighting: 10

Quality criterion - Name: Training and development / Weighting: 10

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Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Open procedure

IV.1.3) Information about a framework agreement or a dynamic purchasing system

The procurement involves the establishment of a framework agreement

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

Notice number: [2025/S 000-003993](#)

Section V. Award of contract

Contract No

Project_9559

Lot No

1

Title

Lot 1 – Maintained nursery schools - food service provision

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

14 August 2025

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 6

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 4

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 6

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Lunchtime Company

Cambridge

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKH12 - Cambridgeshire CC

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £8,000,000

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V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Zebedees Ltd

East Sussex,

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKJ22 - East Sussex CC

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

JPL Catering Ltd

Kingston upon Thames

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKI63 - Merton, Kingston upon Thames and Sutton

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £8,000,000

Section V. Award of contract

Contract No

Project_9559

Lot No

2

Title

Lot 2 – Primary and special schools - food service provision (including nursery classes in

primary schools)

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

14 August 2025

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 11

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 3

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 11

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Juniper Pursuits Ltd

Stratford

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKI - London

The contractor is an SME

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Lunchtime Company

Cambridge

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NUTS code

- UKH12 - Cambridgeshire CC

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Aspens Services Ltd

Worcestershire

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKG12 - Worcestershire

The contractor is an SME

No

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V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Harrison Catering Services Ltd

Oxfordshire

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKJ14 - Oxfordshire

The contractor is an SME

No

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

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V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Accent Catering Services Ltd

Staines-upon-Thames

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKJ2 - Surrey, East and West Sussex

The contractor is an SME

No

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JPL Catering Ltd

Kingston upon Thames

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

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Nourish Contract Catering LTD

Sydenham

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKI - London

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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14 August 2025

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Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Southwark Council 160 Tooley Street

London

SE1 2QH

Country

United Kingdom

VI.4.2) Body responsible for mediation procedures

Southwark Council

160 Tooley Street

London

SE1 2QH

Country

United Kingdom