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Contract

Community Schools Trust Catering

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F03: Contract award notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-042301

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

Community Schools Trust Catering Tender

Forest Gate Community School, Forest Lane, Forest Gate,

London

E7 9BB

Contact

Glenn Campbell

Email

info@cohesionconsulting.co.uk

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

UKI41 - Hackney and Newham

Internet address(es)

Main address

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

Buyer's address

<https://in-tendhost.co.uk/cohesionconsulting.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

Community Schools Trust Catering

Reference number

CCL_023

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 55524000 - School catering services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

The Community Schools Trust is a dynamic and successful Trust based in Forest Gate, London. The Trust are tendering the catering services in five secondary schools in

London, 3 in Newham, London and 2 in Hackney, London. They have over 5,000 students between the ages of 11 and 18 on roll and over 300 teaching and support staff. Each school has a well equipped kitchen, a busy main restaurant and numerous satellite serving areas to help support demand throughout the day. The incumbent caterer is Olive Dining in 3 schools, Taylor Shaw in one school and one school is managed in-house. The catering teams are well-regarded by the schools and are seen as a core part of daily life for the students. The teams across the sites have a mix of LGPS and NEST Pension schemes, bidders should already have, or be able to achieve, Admitted Body Status in the London Boroughs of Hackney and Newham. The contract start date is the 1st of April August and this will be for an initial three-year period. Ther

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: £4,500,000

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 55524000 - School catering services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKI41 - Hackney and Newham

Main site or place of performance

Community Schools Trust Locations, 3 Secondaries in the London Borough of Newham and 2 Secondaries in the London Borough of Hackney.

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The Community Schools Trust is a dynamic and successful Trust based in Forest Gate, London. The Trust are tendering their catering services in five secondary schools in London, 3 in Forest Gate (London Borough of Newham) and 2 in Hackney. They have over 4,000 students between the ages of 11 and 18 on roll and over 300 teaching and support staff. (A 6th secondary, UTC Norfolk, was tendered in 2023 and is not part of this process due to its location.) The Trust is using a two stage restricted process. Each school has a well equipped kitchen, a busy main restaurant and numerous satellite serving areas to help support demand throughout the day. The incumbent caterer is Olive

Dining in 3 schools, Taylor Shaw in one school, the other is in-house. The catering teams are well-regarded by the schools and are seen as a core part of daily life for the students and staff in the Trust. Please note there is a mix of LGPS and NEST pension schemes in the schools, so the ability to achieve Admitted Body Status is essential. The contract start date is the 1st of August 2024 and this will be for an initial three-year period. There is an option for both parties to extend the contract for a further two years subject to client satisfaction and client agreement on budgets and service levels. This contract will reward maximising sales and FSM uptake through pro-active management and consistently high levels of food quality and tangible contract support. The Trust expects high standards of food and service quality in every school every day and a strong working relationship with the successful bidder. This contract will reward maximising sales and FSM uptake through pro-active management and consistently high levels of food quality and tangible contract support.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Price

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

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.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure

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Section V. Award of contract

Contract No

CCL_023

Title

Community Schools Trust Catering Tender

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

28 October 2025

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 3

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 0

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

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 0

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

Olive Dining

Council Offices, 8 Station Rd E, Oxted

Oxted

RH8 0BT

Email

info@olivedining.co.uk

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKJ26 - East Surrey

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: £4,500,000

Total value of the contract/lot: £4,450,000

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Public Procurement Review Service

70 Whitehall

London

SW1A 2AS

Email

publicprocurementreview@cabinetoffice.gov.uk

Telephone

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Internet address

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/public-procurement-review-service-scope-and-remit>

VI.4.2) Body responsible for mediation procedures

Cohesion Consulting Ltd

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