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Contract

Warrender Group of Primary Schools

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F03: Contract award notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-04c9ad

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

Warrender Group of Primary Schools Catering

Old Hatch Manor

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Contact

Procurement team at Cohesion

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United Kingdom

NUTS code

UKI74 - Harrow and Hillingdon

Internet address(es)

Main address

<http://www.cohesionconsulting.co.uk>

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

Warrender Group of Primary Schools

Reference number

CCL_056

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 55524000 - School catering services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Five primary schools in Hillingdon are collectively tendering their catering services, aiming to commence the contract on 1st August 2025 in Lot one, 1st September 2025 in Lot 2. Of

these, two Schools have in-house services and three are delivered in from the production kitchen based at Whiteheath Junior School. As the Schools are in close proximity to each other they are pooling resources for this procurement to optimise and develop their catering provisions. The initial contract duration is set for three years, with a potential extension for two more years contingent on client satisfaction and mutual agreement on budgets and service levels. The Schools are tendering their catering services across two Lots using a two-stage tender process, beginning with a Selection Questionnaire (SQ) stage followed by an Invitation to Tender (ITT) stage after shortlisting. This process is managed under the Light Touch Regime, and the schools reserve the right to refine the award criteria throughout

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: £1,340,000

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 55524000 - School catering services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKI74 - Harrow and Hillingdon

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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the following three schools; Whiteheath Infant and Nursery School, St. Swithuns Catholic Primary School and Warrender School. Annual Turnover circa £250,000. • Lot Two is Hayes Park Primary School, which has its own kitchen and dining facilities. Annual turnover circa £195,000. This contract will reward maximising sales and FSM uptake through pro-active management, consistently high food quality and tangible contract support. The Schools and CCL expect the successful Contractor to reasonably guarantee their financial proposal and maintain excellent standards. The Schools have requested that in this tender exercise the bidders focus on: A TUPE Compliant Bid with additional recommendations on service equipment, serving points, staffing levels and a bespoke food concept to drive sales and uptake. In short, the Schools need to be convinced the bidders are able to deliver their promises, achieve their sales targets, deliver their service enhancements in full and support the Schools. Should the Schools not be convinced of this they reserve the right to revert to an 'insourced' solution or post no award. Any investment proposals will need to be consistent with ESFA guidelines. The successful bidder will be expected to operate with a strong partnership, integrity and honesty.

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: No

IV.2) Administrative information

IV.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure

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Section V. Award of contract

Contract No

CCL_056

Lot No

1 and 2

Title

Warrender Group of schools catering tender

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

15 July 2025

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 4

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: 4

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Cleverchefs

Cardiff

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKL2 - East Wales

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

HCL

Welwyn Garden City

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKH2 - Bedfordshire and Hertfordshire

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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: £1,300,000

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

The Cabinet Office

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VI.4.2) Body responsible for mediation procedures

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