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Contract

Provision of Food Supply

THE ACADEMIES FOR CHARACTER AND EXCELLENCE

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Scope

Reference

ACE01.62

Description

The contract is for a food supply provision that will provide high quality and fresh, local ingredients and food stuffs for the school catering provision in accordance with the service specification and the associated tender documents. The Trust was looking for

suppliers that can provide locally sourced, fresh, high quality and value for money products to enable school catering teams to create fresh and healthy school meals for pupils and staff. The Tenderer is required to work in partnership with the Trust, offering

clear lines of communication and ensuring cohesion with the roles and responsibilities as identified in Document 2. Specification of Requirement.

Lot LOT-0001. Lot 1 - Fresh Meats

Description

The Contractor is required to be able to supply and deliver the list of food items for this Lot, which is listed in Appendix A in the tender documents. To meet the Minimum Conditions of Participation for this contract, the Contractor will have the following accreditations in place: a. Red Tractor - to give the Trust assurance that the entire food chain meets high standards that exceed minimum UK welfare requirements, ensuring ethical sourcing and quality control. b. EBLEX (AHDB Beef and Lamb - to integrate Quality Standard beef and lamb into school menus and provide the Trust assurance of traceability, animal welfare, food safety and quality assurance. c. MSC (Marine Stewardship Council) - to give assurance that menus will contain seafood that is sustainably sourced, aligning with national food standards and educational initiatives.

Lot LOT-0002. Lot 2 - Frozen, Dry, Ambient and Dairy

Description

The Contractor is required to be able to supply and deliver the list of food items for this Lot, which is listed in Appendix A in the tender documents. The Trust desires that Contractors have in place the BRCGS - Global Standard for Food Safety accreditation or equivalent (SALSA, ISO 22000) that will give the Trust assurance that the Contractor's food production site: a. Implements robust food safety systems (e.g., HACCP) b. Has comprehensive traceability c. Follows legal and customer safety requirements d. Operates under hygienic and controlled conditions

Lot LOT-0003. Lot 3 - Fresh Fruit and Vegetables

Description

The Contractor is required to be able to supply and deliver the list of food items for this Lot, which is listed in Appendix A in the tender documents.

Contract 1. Lot 1 - Fresh Meats

Lots

Lot LOT-0001. Lot 1 - Fresh Meats

Supplier

- SAVONA FOODSERVICE LTD

Contract value

- £380,000 excluding VAT
- £456,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Date signed

1 September 2025

Contract dates

- 1 September 2025 to 31 August 2028
- Possible extension to 31 August 2030
- 5 years

Description of possible extension:

Two further years in 12 month increments (3+1+1)

Main procurement category

Goods

Additional procurement category

Services

Options

The right to additional purchases while the contract is valid.

The right to additional purchases while the contract is valid.

The right to add in extra schools that join the Trust

CPV classifications

- 15119000 - Various meats
- 15130000 - Meat products

Contract locations

- UKK2 - Dorset and Somerset
- UKK4 - Devon

Key performance indicators

Name	Description
Order Fulfilment	98.5% of orders are delivered as per the Customer Establishment orders.
Delivery Timescales	98.5% of orders are delivered to the Customer on time (on specified delivery date and within delivery window).
Required Products	98.5% of Products required by the Customer are available at the time of delivery
Deliveries, Shortages and Faulty Products	Delivery shortages or faulty Product failures are rectified within 1 working day.
Pricing Accuracy	The pricing accuracy for the Customer is 99.5%. Any pricing errors shall be rectified by accurate credit notes within two working days. Reports for the above shall be available and sent to the Customer upon request.
Price Files	Price files are accurate and submitted to Customers on a quarterly basis. The Contractor shall ensure that any price file anomalies are corrected within 2 working days.
Price File Review Meetings	Contractor Account Manager attends Contract Price File review meetings with the Customer in line with the Customer's Specific Requirements.
Promotions	Seasonal Products/promotions and offers are submitted to the Customer on a monthly basis.
Account Management	Contractor Account Manager attends Contract review meetings with the Customer at the Commencement of the Contract and then on a termly basis.
Complaints	Detailed information on complaints received in respect of Product quality or service delivery including the remedial actions taken are submitted to the Customer on a monthly basis.

Contract 2. Lot 2 Frozen, Dry, Ambient and Dairy

Lots

Lot LOT-0002. Lot 2 - Frozen, Dry, Ambient and Dairy

Supplier

- SAVONA FOODSERVICE LTD

Contract value

- £1,260,000 excluding VAT
- £1,512,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Date signed

1 September 2025

Contract dates

- 1 September 2025 to 31 August 2028
- Possible extension to 31 August 2030
- 5 years

Description of possible extension:

Two further year in 12 month increments (3+1+1)

Main procurement category

Goods

Additional procurement category

Services

Options

The right to additional purchases while the contract is valid.

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The right to add in extra schools that join the Trust

CPV classifications

- 15000000 - Food, beverages, tobacco and related products

Contract locations

- UKK2 - Dorset and Somerset
- UKK4 - Devon

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Contract 3. Lot 3 - Fresh Fruit and Vegetables

Lots

Lot LOT-0003. Lot 3 - Fresh Fruit and Vegetables

Supplier

- REDBRIDGE PRODUCE & FLOWERS LIMITED

Contract value

- £380,000 excluding VAT
- £456,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Date signed

1 September 2025

Contract dates

- 1 September 2025 to 31 August 2028
- Possible extension to 31 August 2030
- 5 years

Description of possible extension:

Two further years in 12 month increments (3+1+1)

Main procurement category

Goods

Additional procurement category

Services

Options

The right to additional purchases while the contract is valid.

The right to additional purchases while the contract is valid.

The right to add in extra schools that join the Trust

CPV classifications

- 03221000 - Vegetables
- 03222000 - Fruit and nuts

Contract locations

- UKK2 - Dorset and Somerset
- UKK4 - Devon

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Other information

Applicable trade agreements

- Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

Conflicts assessment prepared/revised

Yes

Procedure

Procedure type

Open procedure

Suppliers

REDBRIDGE PRODUCE & FLOWERS LIMITED

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- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PMQB-7747-PBGR

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Region: UKD72 - Liverpool

Small or medium-sized enterprise (SME): No

Voluntary, community or social enterprise (VCSE): No

Supported employment provider: No

Public service mutual: No

Contract 3. Lot 3 - Fresh Fruit and Vegetables

SAVONA FOODSERVICE LTD

- Companies House: 04764681
- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PQGR-2756-BYGV

Unit 11-12 Oxonian Park

Kidlington

OX5 1FP

United Kingdom

Email: accounts@savona.co.uk

Website: <http://www.savona.co.uk>

Region: UKJ14 - Oxfordshire

Small or medium-sized enterprise (SME): No

Voluntary, community or social enterprise (VCSE): No

Supported employment provider: No

Public service mutual: No

Contract 1. Lot 1 - Fresh Meats

Contract 2. Lot 2 Frozen, Dry, Ambient and Dairy

Contracting authority

THE ACADEMIES FOR CHARACTER AND EXCELLENCE

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- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PYNM-4868-XBBN

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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

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