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Tender

Catering Services at Whitefriars School

HEATHLAND WHITEFRIARS FEDERATION

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Scope

Description

The school is an all-through school serving the community in Harrow.

The provision of catering services to the school requires a contractor to be able to provide freshly prepared meals and snacks which are compliant to the school food plan to over 1500 students and 6th form

Total value (estimated)

- £2,325,000 excluding VAT
- £2,790,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Contract dates (estimated)

- 1 August 2026 to 31 July 2029
- Possible extension to 31 July 2031
- 5 years

Description of possible extension:

Two 1-Year extensions are available if agreed in writing by both parties

Options

The right to additional purchases while the contract is valid.

Other schools may join the Trust, or other schools in the trust may join this contract when their previous arrangements permit.

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 55524000 - School catering services

Contract locations

- UKI74 - Harrow and Hillingdon

Participation

Particular suitability

Small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)

Submission

Submission type

Requests to participate

Deadline for requests to participate

18 December 2025, 12:00pm

Submission address and any special instructions

<https://bidiful-teamportal.app/p/aceadvice>

Tenders may be submitted electronically

Yes

Languages that may be used for submission

English

Award decision date (estimated)

1 June 2026

Award criteria

Name	Description	Type	Weighting
Quality	Quality will be assessed through a combination of the written response, presentation, and references provided by bidders. Moderation will be applied across all these areas to ensure consistency and fairness in evaluation, with each element contributing to the overall quality score.	Quality	70%
Price	Quality will be assessed through a combination of the written response, presentation, and references provided by bidders. Moderation will be applied across all these areas to ensure consistency and fairness in evaluation, with each element contributing to the overall quality score.	Price	30%

Other information

Conflicts assessment prepared/revised

Yes

Procedure

Procedure type

Competitive flexible procedure

Competitive flexible procedure description

The procedure will consist of four distinct stages, allowing for an initial assessment of interested suppliers. Suppliers will be evaluated against the specific objectives of the new contract through the following stages:

- Selection Stage and Shortlisting
- Invitation to Tender (ITT) and Shortlisting for Presentation
- Presentation of Proposal to the Authority
- Reference Checking

The evaluation of the shortlisting process will be based on the information submitted by the bidding companies. A shortlist of suppliers will be compiled, with the 4 highest-scoring submissions invited to progress to the subsequent stage of the procurement process.

Only those companies that are selected and formally notified will be invited to submit a response during the ITT stage.

Documents

Associated tender documents

<https://bidiful-teamportal.app/p/aceadvice>

Documents will be made available via Bidiful, following expressions of interest from potential bidders

Please email; ian.henderson@ace-advice.co.uk or call 07833 265675 for access to the tender documentation

Contracting authority

HEATHLAND WHITEFRIARS FEDERATION

- Companies House: 09066965
- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PCQM-9857-LCHR

Heathland School

Harrow

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Email: tenders@whitefriarsschool.net

Region: UKI74 - Harrow and Hillingdon

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.

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Summary of their role in this procurement: Catering Consultants

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- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PBBX-5711-VBGM

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