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Tender

Provision of Outsourced Catering

BISHOP BEWICK CATHOLIC EDUCATION TRUST

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Scope

Description

The Contract is to provide BBCET and its community of children with consistently high-quality food services that meet nutritional standards and support the wellbeing of all recipients. The awarded Supplier(s) are to work in partnership with BBCET in line with the following principles:

? Transparency: Operate with transparency, ensuring that all the actions, decisions, services and processes related to the Contract are open and easily understood.

? Assurance: Provide accurate information and assurance that the services delivered meet the agreed-upon standards and specifications.

? Efficiency: Adhere to agreed-upon timelines to ensure that the Contract progresses smoothly and meets deadlines.

? Communication and Engagement: Maintain open and effective communication and engagement with BBCET and individual schools, addressing concerns and providing updates on progress on a timely basis.

? Knowledgeable: Demonstrate expertise in their field and be open to considering and incorporating different ideas or approaches that may benefit BBCET, individual schools and the children.

? Proactive Approach: Proactive stance in identifying and addressing potential issues or challenges.

? Escalation: Clear escalation procedures in place for resolving any disputes, issues, or conflicts that may arise.

? Continuous Improvement: Commit to a culture of continuous improvement, striving to enhance processes, technologies, and services throughout the Contract.

? Adaptability: Demonstrate a supportive and flexible approach in working with the BBCET and individual schools. This includes being adaptable to changing requirements, addressing needs promptly, and offering assistance when necessary.

? Service Delivery: A commitment to delivering high-quality services and adhere to established quality standards and benchmarks.

Total value (estimated)

- £10,000,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Contract dates (estimated)

- 1 September 2026 to 31 August 2028
- Possible extension to 31 August 2031
- 5 years

Description of possible extension:

Contract commencing 01st September 2026 for 2 years with the option to extend for a further 3 * 12 month periods (subject to satisfactory performance), with a final potential

end date of 31st August 2031.

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 15000000 - Food, beverages, tobacco and related products
- 55000000 - Hotel, restaurant and retail trade services

Contract locations

- UKC - North East (England)
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Lot 1. Lot 1 - Newcastle West and North

Description

Provision of outsourced catering services for the schools identified within Newcastle West and North

Lot value (estimated)

- £4,500,000 including VAT

Same for all lots

CPV classifications, contract locations and contract dates are shown in the Scope section, because they are the same for all lots.

Lot 2. Lot 2 - North Tyneside and Newcastle East

Description

Provision of outsourced catering services to the schools identified in North Tyneside and Newcastle East

Lot value (estimated)

- £4,500,000 including VAT

Same for all lots

CPV classifications, contract locations and contract dates are shown in the Scope section, because they are the same for all lots.

Lot 3. Lot 3 - St Stephens and St Bartholomew's

Description

Provision of outsourced catering to St Stephens and St Bartholomew's schools

Lot value (estimated)

- £1,000,000 including VAT

Same for all lots

CPV classifications, contract locations and contract dates are shown in the Scope section, because they are the same for all lots.

Participation

Particular suitability

Lot 1. Lot 1 - Newcastle West and North

Lot 2. Lot 2 - North Tyneside and Newcastle East

Lot 3. Lot 3 - St Stephens and St Bartholomew's

- Small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)
- Voluntary, community and social enterprises (VCSE)

Submission

Enquiry deadline

17 December 2025, 12:00pm

Tender submission deadline

16 January 2026, 12:00pm

Submission address and any special instructions

Please create an account on Cimple platform then search for the opportunity to gain access to the documentation

<https://cimple.uk/detail/498211>

Tenders may be submitted electronically

Yes

Languages that may be used for submission

English

Award decision date (estimated)

20 February 2026

Award criteria

Name	Type	Weighting
Quality	Quality	55%
Price	Price	45%

Other information

Conflicts assessment prepared/revised

Yes

Procedure

Procedure type

Open procedure

Special regime

Utilities

Documents

Associated tender documents

<https://cimple.uk/detail/498211>

Technical specifications to be met

<https://cimple.uk/detail/498211>

Contracting authority

BISHOP BEWICK CATHOLIC EDUCATION TRUST

- Companies House: 07841435
- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PRYP-4191-GBXY

Sacred Heart Catholic High School

Newcastle Upon Tyne

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Email: finance@bishopbewickcet.org

Region: UKC22 - Tyneside

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.

VALUE MATCH SERVICES LTD

Summary of their role in this procurement: The Contracting Authority have appointed Value Match Services to act as the delivery partner for this project as part of its wider shared service, from sourcing activity through to ongoing management and assurance of its appointed Suppliers.

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- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PXYJ-6338-PQDD

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