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Tender

catering Services Contract for Coombe Academies Trust

COOMBE ACADEMY TRUST

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Scope

Description

This five school Trust is looking for a contract caterer to provide a fixed price catering contract to the two secondary schools and three primary schools in the Trust.

Total value (estimated)

- £5,500,000 excluding VAT
- £6,600,000 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:

2 x 12 month extensions will be available should both parties agree in writing

Options

The right to additional purchases while the contract is valid.

The Trust may expand over the life of this contract, and may choose to add any new schools into the agreement, subject to any pre existing contractual arrangements

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 55524000 - School catering services

Contract locations

- UKI63 - Merton, Kingston upon Thames and Sutton

Participation

Particular suitability

Small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)

Submission

Submission type

Requests to participate

Deadline for requests to participate

24 December 2025, 12:00pm

Submission address and any special instructions

<https://bidiful-teamportal.app>

Tenders may be submitted electronically

Yes

Languages that may be used for submission

English

Award decision date (estimated)

20 April 2026

Award criteria

Name	Type	Weighting
Quality	Quality	70%
Price	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>

To apply for the tender documents, please contact:

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Contracting authority

COOMBE ACADEMY TRUST

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- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PGWN-8182-XCWR

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Region: UKI63 - Merton, Kingston upon Thames and Sutton

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.

ACE ADVICE LTD

Summary of their role in this procurement: Consultancy support

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