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Tender

School Meals Contract

London Borough of Ealing Council

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-05fa81

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Scope

Reference

CH252396

Description

The provision of catering services (school meals) to schools in the London Borough of Ealing.

The Ealing Schools Catering Consortium (ESCC), is a consortium of 56 primary and special educational needs (SEND) schools within the London Borough of Ealing that have grouped together to ensure the provision of high-quality meals to pupils and staff. The ESCC has been operating successfully since 2003, and this service is open to all existing and any new schools in the borough.

The ESCC is looking to expand and this service will be open to any neighbouring boroughs, London Boroughs or neighbouring borough schools who wish to join the ESCC and existing member schools in this contract and who may wish to join during the term of the contract.

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Premarket Engagement - no premarket engagement was undertaken as this is a long standing and established service with no changes required to the existing delivery model. Bidders will be encouraged to include in their tender bid any new or innovative ways of working or ways to increase in standards.

Total value (estimated)

- £55,000,000 excluding VAT
- £65,000,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Contract dates (estimated)

- 2 August 2027 to 1 August 2030
- Possible extension to 1 August 2032
- 5 years

Description of possible extension:

1 option to extend for 2 years.

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 55523100 - School-meal services
- 55322000 - Meal-cooking services
- 55500000 - Canteen and catering services

Contract locations

- UKI - London
- UKI3 - Inner London - West
- UKJ1 - Berkshire, Buckinghamshire and Oxfordshire
- UKH2 - Bedfordshire and Hertfordshire

Participation

Legal and financial capacity conditions of participation

Minimum annual turnover requirements

Particular suitability

Small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)

Submission

Enquiry deadline

3 February 2026, 4:00pm

Submission type

Requests to participate

Deadline for requests to participate

3 February 2026, 4:00pm

Submission address and any special instructions

Please submit via Ealing atamis - <https://ealinglbc-atamis.my.site.com/s/Welcome>

Tenders may be submitted electronically

Yes

Languages that may be used for submission

English

Award decision date (estimated)

1 February 2027

Award criteria

Name	Type
Price	Price
Quality	Quality

Weighting description

Price /Quality weighting

Other information

Applicable trade agreements

- Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

Conflicts assessment prepared/revised

Yes

Procedure

Procedure type

Competitive flexible procedure

Special regime

Light touch

Competitive flexible procedure description

Stage 1: Bidders will be asked to register on the Ealing Atamis system and download the PSQ. The PSQ is to be complete and returned along with any requested associated documentation.

Stage 2: PSQ submissions will be evaluated and shortlisted, for invitation to tender to the next stage (2).

Stage 3: Bidders will be asked to submit a full tender with pricing. Tenders will be evaluated and shortlisted to the next stage, Presentation and Site Visits (3).

Stage 4: Presentation stage and site kitchen visits will be evaluated and added to their tender scores and ranked.

This process is described in detail in the PSQ documentation.

Contracting authority

London Borough of Ealing Council

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