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Tender

## **Oakwood Park Grammar School - Catering Tender**

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### **Scope**

### **Description**

Oakwood Park Grammar School (OPGS) is a boys' grammar school with academy status located in Maidstone, Kent, serving boys from ages 11 – 16 with a co-educational 6th form.

At OPGS, we hold firm on our responsibility to deliver a broad and balanced curriculum, an exceptional standard of teaching and learning and a wider range of extra-curricular opportunities. We have high standards of behaviour and our pupils are 'polite and courteous,' contributing significantly to our consistently positive learning environment.

Further information regarding the School can be obtained here: <https://www.opgs.org/>

Tender information:

The successful tenderer will be required to provide excellent catering services to Oakwood Park Grammar school, which has 1086 pupils and 86 teaching and support staff.

The contract term being tendered for 3 years, from 01/08/2026 – 31/07/2029. There is an option for a further extension period for up to two additional years to 31/07/2031.

The contract offers an excellent opportunity to review and propose enhancements to the current catering services at the School. This includes but is not limited to; breakfast, morning break, lunchtime and after school services, over the academic year, plus hospitality services upon request.

The school is keen to secure a high quality catering service including fresh locally sourced ingredients prepared on site, with a menu design that is flexible to suit the requirements of the school's specific students. The school is proud of its 'family ethos' and expects both a tightly managed service and a management style delivered by the successful contractor that supports, encourages and develops the catering staff.

The school is not obliged to accept the lowest price submitted for this tender, rather the school is keen to secure 'best value' from this contract and to deliver 'best value' to its students. Innovative and creative ideas as to how the services can be developed and value added, will be welcomed. The school seeks a contractor that is keen to work in partnership and who will deliver to its highest abilities, at all times.

#### Competitive Flexible Procedure

This procurement will be run under the Competitive Flexible Procedure. This will follow a two stage approach, with stage 1 being the Procurement Specific Questionnaire (PSQ). Here a minimum of 5 candidates (or less, in the event less than 5 meet the minimum criteria) and a maximum of 10 candidates, will progress to stage 2. Any selection of tenderers will be based solely on the criteria set out for the procurement and a minimum score of 60% must be achieved.

Selected tenderers will then be invited to stage 2, the Invitation To Tender (ITT). Here, the evaluation of tender response will be set as 35% price and 65% quality.

#### Value of contract:

The annual value of the current contract is £304,752 (the total sales including fsm, in the last contract year)

Therefore the value of this contract is £1,523,760 (above total x 5 as this contract is for a maximum of 5 years)

The contract shall be a guaranteed performance contract with any hospitality requirements billed separately.

#### Additional requirements and information:

- The school has a minimum requirement for a contractor's employers' liability and public liability insurances of £5 million

- The minimum annual turnover that your company must have achieved to be considered for this opportunity is £1 million
- There are not incumbent catering staff currently within the Local Government Pension Scheme
- The catering services are currently contracted to Independent Catering

For more information about this opportunity, please visit the Delta eSourcing portal at:

<https://www.delta-esourcing.com/tenders/UK-UK-Maidstone:-School-catering-services./XF24925842>

To respond to this opportunity, please click here:

<https://www.delta-esourcing.com/respond/XF24925842>

### **Total value (estimated)**

- £1,523,760 excluding VAT
- £1,828,512 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:

There is an option for a further extension period for up to two additional years to 31/07/2031.

## **Main procurement category**

Services

## **CPV classifications**

- 55524000 - School catering services

## **Contract locations**

- UKJ4 - Kent

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## **Participation**

### **Particular suitability**

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

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## **Submission**

### **Enquiry deadline**

23 January 2026, 12:00pm

### **Submission type**

Tenders

**Deadline for requests to participate**

23 January 2026, 12:00pm

**Submission address and any special instructions**

<https://www.delta-esourcing.com/respond/XF24925842>

**Tenders may be submitted electronically**

Yes

**Languages that may be used for submission**

English

**Award decision date (estimated)**

18 May 2026

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**Award criteria**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Type</b>	<b>Weighting</b>
Quality	Quality	65%
Price	Price	35%

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## Other information

### Applicable trade agreements

- Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)
- Comprehensive and Progressive Agreement for Trans-Pacific Partnership (CPTPP)

### Conflicts assessment prepared/revised

Yes

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### Procedure type

Competitive flexible procedure

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## Contracting authority

### Oakwood Park Grammar School

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PTWH-4155-ZTDP

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Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government

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## Other organisation

These organisations are carrying out the procurement, or part of it, on behalf of the contracting authorities.

### RIVA Partnership Ltd

Summary of their role in this procurement: Procurement Consultancy supporting the

Contracting Authority

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## Contact organisation

Contact Oakwood Park Grammar School for any enquiries.