

United Kingdom-Reading: School catering services
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Contract notice
Services

Legal Basis:

Directive 2014/24/EU

Section I: Contracting authority

I.1. Name and addresses

Official name: Little Heath School
Postal address: Little Heath Road, Tilehurst
Town: Reading
NUTS code: UKJ11 Berkshire
Postal code: RG31 5TY
Country: United Kingdom
Contact person: The Litmus Partnership Ltd
E-mail: pqq@litmuspartnership.co.uk
Telephone: +44 1276-673880

Internet address(es):

Main address: <http://www.littleheath.org.uk>

I.3. Communication

The procurement documents are available for unrestricted and full direct access, free of charge, at: http://www.litmuspartnership.co.uk/project/little_heath_school
Additional information can be obtained from the abovementioned address
Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted to the abovementioned address

I.4. Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

I.5. Main activity

Education

Section II: Object

II.1. Scope of the procurement

II.1.1. Title

Little Heath School — Tender for Catering Services.

II.1.2. Main CPV code

55524000 School catering services

II.1.3. Type of contract

Services

II.1.4. Short description

The successful Supplier will be required to provide catering services for Little Heath School (the Client).

Little Heath School is a voluntary-aided co-educational comprehensive secondary school. The school is located in the Little Heath area of the Reading suburb of Tilehurst, in Berkshire. Founded in 1963, the school is managed by West Berkshire Local Authority, but serves communities in both West Berkshire and Reading. A mixed 11-18 school, it has approximately 1 650 students on roll, with almost 400 of these in the Sixth Form.

II.1.5. Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: 1 125 000,00 GBP

II.1.6. Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: no

II.2. Description

II.2.3. Place of performance

NUTS code: UKJ11 Berkshire

Main site or place of performance: Little Heath School, Reading, Berkshire, United Kingdom.

II.2.4. Description of the procurement

The tender project is seeking to appoint an experienced and innovative Supplier for the provision of a catering service for the students on roll and 200 teaching and support staff, with a focus on exciting new food concepts to satisfy a wide range of pupil tastes and dietary requirements. The Client would wish the successful Supplier to review the current range of services offered and make recommendations accordingly.

The contract being tendered is for three years in duration from 1.8.2017 to 31.7.2020 and will operate as a guaranteed performance contract, with the successful Supplier offering the Client a guaranteed return per annum for the provision of catering services. Sovereignty of the cash tariff is to remain with the Client for the duration of this contract.

The school year is based on a calendar of 195 days. The equivalent of 5 days are to be used for staff professional development which means that the school will be open to receive students for the legal minimum of 190 days.

The contract offered covers the provision of a full range of catering services within the school, which currently includes breakfast, morning break, lunch, some hospitality and all free issue requirements. Free School Meals and hospitality will be charged based on consumption and at net food cost. The school has biometric cashless catering in place.

Whilst the Client prioritises value for money as a key objective of the competitive tender process, the governing body is not obliged to accept the lowest price.

The Client expects the successful Supplier to enable the continued development of catering through the provision of an innovative, healthy food service, with fresh, seasonal, locally sourced ingredients being prepared on-site. The Client expects the successful Supplier to evidence, through their bid, how they shall support and complement its values and support the principles of Every Child Matters.

The Client believes that success should be celebrated and that pupils should enjoy their time at school; if lessons are stimulating and challenging then students will love learning. Much time therefore, is spent reviewing and planning schemes of work to ensure that they are differentiated to meet the needs of all students. As a result, the Client is very enthusiastic regarding work experience and apprenticeship proposals and would welcome the input of the successful Supplier.

As a school which is continually seeking ways to improve and develop the ethos and environment for students and staff, to give them the facilities they deserve and need to meet the challenges of the 21st Century, any consideration regarding inward capital investment as part of the Supplier's tender submission would be welcomed.

Please be advised that this contract will be let on a 3 + 2 years basis.
(Further information is available within the procurement documents.).

II.2.5. Award criteria

Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

II.2.6. Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: 1 125 000,00 GBP

II.2.7. Duration of the contract, framework agreement or dynamic purchasing system

Start: 01/08/2017 End: 31/07/2022

This contract is subject to renewal: no

II.2.9. Information about the limits on the number of candidates to be invited

Envisaged minimum number: 5 Maximum number: 10 Objective criteria for choosing the limited number of candidates:

A minimum of 5 suppliers and a maximum of 10 suppliers will be taken forward to the tender stage of the process. Where less than 5 suppliers meet the minimum standards, only those that meet the minimum standards will be taken through to the tender stage. Where more than 5 suppliers meet the minimum standard, those suppliers with the highest scores will proceed to the tender stage.

II.2.10. Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: yes

II.2.11. Information about options

Options: no

II.2.13. Information about European Union funds

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds:
no

II.2.14. Additional information

Section III: Legal, economic, financial and technical information

III.1. Conditions for participation

III.1.2. Economic and financial standing

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

III.1.3. Technical and professional ability

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

Section IV: Procedure

IV.1. Description

IV.1.1. Type of procedure

Restricted procedure

IV.1.3. Information about a framework agreement or a dynamic purchasing system

IV.1.8.

Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: yes

IV.2. Administrative information

IV.2.2. Time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate

Date: 24/02/2017 Local time: 12:00

IV.2.3. Estimated date of dispatch of invitations to tender or to participate to selected candidates

Date: 24/03/2017

IV.2.4. Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted

English

Section VI: Complementary information

VI.1. Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: no

VI.3. Additional information

Interest in the selection process should be expressed via email only to pqq@litmuspartnership.co.uk clearly stating within this email which contract / notice you are referring to. Please also provide, as a minimum, a contact name, full company postal address and telephone number. The Selection Questionnaire and associated documents can be obtained at: http://www.litmuspartnership.co.uk/project/little_heath_school

The closing date for receipt of the Selection Questionnaire is 24.2.2017 (12:00). Suppliers are required to ensure that documents are obtained and returned to The Litmus Partnership Limited, by email to pqq@litmuspartnership.co.uk by the above closing date and time. Documents in respect of economic / financial standing (where indicated in the Selection Questionnaire) shall be returned to The Litmus Partnership Limited, by email to pqq@litmuspartnership.co.uk by the above closing date and time.

It will be the Supplier's responsibility to obtain any necessary documents in order to submit a response by the closing date and time.

The contracting authority reserves the right not to award any or part of the contract which is the subject of this Contract Notice and reserves the right to terminate the procurement process at any time.

The contracting authority will not be liable for any costs incurred by those expressing an interest in tendering for this contract opportunity.

The contracting authority will consider variant bids, evaluating them (so far as the variant or the evaluation of the variant is in the opinion of the contracting authority practicable) on the same basis as a conforming bid, but shall not be obliged to accept any such bid in preference to a conforming bid even if the variant bid scores more highly. No variant will be considered unless the bidder simultaneously submits a conforming bid.

VI.4. Procedures for review

VI.4.1. Review body

Official name: Little Heath School

Town: Reading

Country: United Kingdom

VI.4.2.

Body responsible for mediation procedures

Official name: Little Heath School

Town: Reading

Country: United Kingdom

VI.4.4. Service from which information about the review procedure may be obtained

Official name: Little Heath School

Town: Reading

Country: United Kingdom

VI.5. Date of dispatch of this notice

20/01/2017