

United Kingdom-Bury St Edmunds: 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: Thurston Community College

Postal address: Norton Road, Thurston

Town: Bury St Edmunds

NUTS code: UKH14 Suffolk

Postal code: IP31 3PB

Country: United Kingdom

E-mail: pqq@litmuspartnership.co.uk

Telephone: +44 1276-673880

Internet address(es):Main address: <http://www.thurstoncollege.org/>**I.3. Communication**

The procurement documents are available for unrestricted and full direct access, free of charge, at: https://www.litmuspartnership.co.uk/project/thurston_community_college

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**

Thurston Community College — 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

Thurston Community College is a thriving mixed 11-18 comprehensive school located just outside Bury St Edmunds in Suffolk. The original College was built in 1973 and serves a large rural catchment area. The College is now based on 2 sites, the Thurston Campus and the

Thurston Sixth, Beyton Campus, which are separated by a distance of 2 miles. A school bus is used to move staff between sites as necessary.

II.1.5. Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: 2 129 500,00 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: UKH14 Suffolk

Main site or place of performance: Thurston Community College, Bury St Edmunds, Suffolk, UNITED KINGDOM.

II.2.4. Description of the procurement

The tender project is seeking to appoint a supplier whose initiative and innovation will be welcomed for the provision of service within the existing facilities for the 1 600 students on roll and 230 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 3 years in duration from 1.8.2019 to 31.7.2022 with an option to extend for a further 2 years.

The academic year is based on a calendar of the legal minimum of 190 days. In addition, there are up to 5 staff professional development days per year where catering is required. The contract offered covers the scope for the provision of all catering services within the College, which currently includes breakfast, morning break, lunch, an all-day service at Beyton Campus, all hospitality and free issue requirements. Free school meals and hospitality will be charged based on consumption.

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 where possible 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 its mission statement "Inspire; empower; achieve".

As a school who are 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. The client would wish for the supplier to look at making this investment within the existing kitchens. The client is also seeking to open a new outlet on the Thurston Campus to service a recently created outdoor eating area.

Further information is provided in the SQ Documentation.

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: 2 129 500,00 GBP

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

Start: 01/08/2019 End: 31/07/2024

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: 5Maximum number: 10Objective 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: 22/02/2019 Local time: 12:00

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

Date: 08/03/2019

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/thurston_community_college

The closing date for receipt of the Selection Questionnaire is 22.2.2019 (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: Thurston Community College

Town: Bury St Edmunds

Country: United Kingdom

VI.5. Date of dispatch of this notice

18/01/2019