United Kingdom-Kirkby in Ashfield: School catering services
OJ S 159/2019 20/08/2019
Contract award notice
Services

Legal Basis:
Directive 2014/24/EU

Section I: Contracting authority

I.1. Name and addresses

Official name: The Two Counties Trust
Postal address: Sutton Road
Town: Kirkby in Ashfield
NUTS code: UKF14 Nottingham
Postal code: NG17 8HP
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Internet address(es):
Main address: http://www.twocountiestrust.co.uk

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

The Two Counties Trust — 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 Two Counties Trust is a family of academies with a shared ethos, common values and collective goals. The trust has a clear mission which is to transform the lives of children and young people and to release their potential through excellent education and the opportunity to acquire new skills. All schools within the Trust are united in their vision to rapidly improve the learning experience of their students and raise the aspirations of the local communities which they serve.
The Two Counties Trust is a brand-new multi-academy Trust established on 1.4.2016. The founding members of the Two Counties Trust are Ashfield School, Selston High School and Swanwick Hall School. The Trust consist solely of like-minded schools that share a passion for

working in partnership in order to improve the quality of provision and outcomes for all learners through focussing on school improvement.

II.1.6. Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: no

II.1.7. Total value of the procurement

Value excluding VAT: 3 616 300,00 GBP

II.2. Description

II.2.3. Place of performance

NUTS code: UKF1 Derbyshire and Nottinghamshire
Main site or place of performance: Nottingham and Derbyshire, UNITED KINGDOM.

II.2.4. Description of the procurement

The successful supplier will be required to provide catering services for the Two Counties Trust at 3 of their schools. Details of 2 of the schools are provided in the SQ document and further information relating to the third school will be provided in the tender documentation.
The contract being tendered is for 3 years in duration from 13.4.2019, with the option to extend the contract term for a further term of up to 2 years and will operate as a guaranteed performance contract, with the successful supplier offering the schools a guaranteed return /cost per annum for the provision of catering services. Sovereignty of the cash tariff is to remain with the schools for the duration of this contract.
The trust is expected to grow in the number of schools becoming part of the Trust during this contract period and the provision of catering services within these schools, when they have joined the trust, may fall under the scope of this contract.
The successful supplier would be expected to provide the catering service within the additional schools, using the same costing model, ratios, etc. that they applied to their successful financial submission for the trust, at the point of tender submission. The duration of contract for these schools will not be increased and they will join the contract for the remaining contract period that exists at the point of entry into the trust.
Whilst the trust prioritises value for money as a key objective of the competitive tender process, they are not obliged to accept the lowest price.
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 teaching and support staff and students on roll, all of whom have a focus on the introduction of exciting new food concepts to satisfy a wide range of tastes and dietary requirements. The schools would wish the successful contractor to review the current range of services offered and make recommendations accordingly.
The contract offered covers the scope for the provision of all school catering services, which currently includes breakfast, morning break, lunch, all hospitality and free issue requirements. Free school meals and hospitality will be charged based on consumption and at net food cost.
The trust 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 trust expects the successful supplier to evidence, through their bid, how they shall support and complement its values and support the principles of Keeping children safe in education.
The trust 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 trust are very enthusiastic

regarding work experience and apprenticeship proposals and would welcome the input of the successful supplier.
As a trust 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 trust would wish for the supplier to look at making this investment within the existing dining areas, with attention being given to the upgrade of the current cashless systems, counter layouts and furnishings and the implementation of a procedure that would assist in producing a reduction of current queuing times.
Further information is provided in the SQ document.

II.2.5. Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Food / Weighting: 17.5
Quality criterion - Name: Management / Weighting: 10
Quality criterion - Name: People / Weighting: 10
Quality criterion - Name: Service development / Weighting: 15
Quality criterion - Name: Contractor compliance and cultural fit / Weighting: 12.5
Cost criterion - Name: Finance / Weighting: 35

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 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.2.1. Previous publication concerning this procedure

Notice number in the OJ S: 2018/S 140-320805

IV.2.8. Information about termination of dynamic purchasing system

IV.2.9. Information about termination of call for competition in the form of a prior information notice

Section V: Award of contract

Title:

The Two Counties Trust — Tender for Catering Services

A contract/lot is awarded: yes

V.2. Award of contract

V.2.1. Date of conclusion of the contract
15/03/2019

V.2.2. Information about tenders
Number of tenders received: 3
The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: no

V.2.3. Name and address of the contractor
Official name: Mellors Catering Services
Town: Skelmersdale
NUTS code: UKD4 Lancashire
Country: United Kingdom
The contractor is an SME: no

V.2.4. Information on value of the contract/lot
Total value of the contract/lot: 3 616 300,00 GBP

V.2.5. Information about subcontracting

Section VI: Complementary information

VI.3. Additional information

VI.4. Procedures for review

VI.4.1. Review body
Official name: The Two Counties Trust
Town: Kirkby in Ashfield
Country: United Kingdom

VI.5. Date of dispatch of this notice
19/08/2019