

United Kingdom-Bury St Edmunds: School catering services
OJ S 163/2019 26/08/2019
Contract award 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

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Internet address(es):

Main address: <http://www.thurstoncollege.org/>

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.1.6. Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: no

II.1.7. Total value of the procurement

Value excluding VAT: 1 500 000,00 GBP

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 three 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 onsite. 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 tender documentation.

II.2.5. Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Food / Weighting: 15

Quality criterion - Name: Management / Weighting: 10

Quality criterion - Name: People / Weighting: 15

Quality criterion - Name: Service development / Weighting: 15

Quality criterion - Name: Contractor compliance and cultural fit / Weighting: 5

Cost criterion - Name: Finance / Weighting: 40

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: [2019/S 015-031569](#)

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:

Thurston Community College — Tender for Catering Services

A contract/lot is awarded: yes

V.2. Award of contract

V.2.1. Date of conclusion of the contract

17/06/2019

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: Cater Link Ltd

Town: Reading

NUTS code: UKJ11 Berkshire

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: 1 500 000,00 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: Thurston Community College

Town: Bury St Edmunds

Country: United Kingdom

VI.5. Date of dispatch of this notice

21/08/2019