

# **INITIAL TENDER GUIDANCE**

# **EVENT 2**

# TECHNOLOGY EXPENSE MANAGEMENT

**REFERENCE NUMBER** 

RM 3802

**ATTACHMENT 1b** 

### 1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 The purpose of this Attachment 1b event 2 Initial Tender Guidance is to provide information and instructions about the scoring and evaluation process to Potential Providers who have been invited to participate in event 2 of this Procurement.
- 1.2 In order to evaluate your ability to meet the advertised requirement, the Authority requires Potential Providers to complete and submit their response to the Award Questionnaire and pricing sheet (Attachment 3b and/or Attachment 3c), in accordance with this event 2 Initial Tender Guidance.
- 1.3 The Invitation to Tender (Attachment 1a) provides more information about the Authority's requirements as set out in paragraph 3.
- 1.4 The defined terms referred to within this event 2 Initial Tender Guidance have the meaning given to them in the Glossary, as set out in paragraph 14 of the Invitation to Tender (Attachment 1a).
- 1.5 For the purposes of this event 2 Initial Tender Guidance the terms "CCS", "we", "us" or "our" refers to the Authority (Crown Commercial Service).
- 1.6 For the avoidance of doubt in this event 2 Initial Tender Guidance and Award Questionnaire the terms "you" or "your" mean your organisation, or the organisation you represent in this Procurement process.

### 2. INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETION

- 2.1 To participate in this event 2 you are required to submit a completed:
  - 2.1.1 Award Questionnaire (Attachment 3); and
  - 2.1.2 Pricing sheet (Attachment 3b and/or Attachment 3c)

together the **Event 2 Initial Tender Submission**, which comply with the instructions in this event 2 Initial Tender Guidance (Attachment 1b) and the Invitation to Tender (Attachment 1a).

- 2.2 You must adhere to the following instructions in order to submit a fully compliant event 2 Initial Tender Submission:
  - 2.2.1 You are strongly advised to read through all documentation first to ensure understanding of how to submit a fully compliant event 2 Initial Tender Submission.
  - 2.2.2 The Authority has decided to offer an opportunity to raise clarifications at event 2 of the Procurement process. Please refer to paragraph 7 Questions and Clarifications of the Invitation to Tender (Attachment 1a) for further information.
  - 2.2.3 Potential Providers are encouraged to raise questions they may have about any Stage of the Procurement during the clarification periods. You may, raise questions or seek clarification regarding any aspect of this Procurement at any time during the clarification periods as set out in paragraph 4 Procurement Timetable of the Invitation to Tender (Attachment 1a). Questions must be submitted using the messaging facility provided within the e-Sourcing Suite.
  - 2.2.4 The Authority is utilising an e-Sourcing Suite to manage the submission of the Tender Submissions and to communicate with you.
  - 2.2.5 No hard copy documents will be issued and all communications with the Authority (including the submission of your event 2 Initial Tender Submission) will be conducted via the e-Sourcing Suite. You must ensure that the details of the point of contact you nominate in the e-Sourcing Suite are accurate at all times as the Authority will not be under any obligation to contact any other point of contact.
  - 2.2.6 No additional Attachments are permitted, only the Attachments specifically requested by the Authority. Only information specifically requested by the

Authority and uploaded as an Attachment will be taken into account for the purposes of evaluating the event 2 Initial Tender.

#### 2.3 Completion of Event 2 Award Questionnaire

- 2.3.1 You must submit your event 2 Initial Tender Award Questionnaire in the e-Sourcing Suite.
- 2.3.2 It is your responsibility to ensure that you are eligible to participate in this Procurement and have submitted a fully compliant event 2 Initial Tender Award Questionnaire.
- 2.3.3 You must ensure that you are using the latest versions of this document and all the Invitation to Tender Attachments as the documentation may be updated from time to time.
- 2.3.4 Any incomplete or incorrect event 2 Initial Tender Award may be deemed noncompliant and as a result you may be excluded from this Procurement.
- 2.3.5 You are advised to allow sufficient time for the entering of responses in the e-Sourcing Suite. It is advised that this activity commences as soon as possible and is not left until the day of the event 2 Initial Tender Award Questionnaire Submission Deadline.
- 2.3.6 For technical guidance on how to complete questions and text fields and how to upload any requested Attachments, please download the Supplier Guidance (Attachment 8).
- 2.3.7 All responses must be inserted into the relevant answer fields unless an additional Attachment is permitted. No Attachments are permitted except where specifically requested by the Authority. Only information entered into the relevant answer fields or information specifically requested by the Authority and uploaded as an Attachment will be taken into account for the purposes of evaluating the event 2 Initial Tender Award Questionnaire Submission.
- 2.3.8 The Authority will disregard any part of a response to a question which exceeds the specified character limit; the excess will be disregarded, not the whole response. The stated character limit includes spaces and punctuation.
- 2.3.9 Your event 2 Initial Tender Award Questionnaire must be submitted in the English (UK) language.
- 2.3.10 You must answer all questions accurately and as fully as possible, within the character limits specified.
- 2.3.11 Where options are offered as a response to a question, you must select the relevant option from the drop down list.
- 2.3.12 You must respond to each question individually, you must not cross reference answers across questions or to other materials (e.g. annual company reports located on a web site). Each question answered must be complete in its own right. Any instances of cross-referencing may be scored 0.

## 2.4 Uploading and Submitting an Event 2 Initial Tender Submission

- 2.4.1 You are responsible for ensuring that your event 2 Initial Tender Submission has been successfully completed in the e-Sourcing Suite and that your completed event 2 pricing sheet (Attachment 3b and/or Attachment 3c) has been uploaded as an Attachment to question AQD1 prior to the event 2 Initial Tender Submission Deadline as detailed in paragraph 4 Procurement Timetable of The Invitation to Tender (Attachment 1a).
- 2.4.2 Your event 2 Initial Tender Submission must be submitted to the Authority using the e-Sourcing Suite. Event 2 Initial Tender Submissions submitted by any other means will not be accepted.

### 3. DEADLINE FOR THE SUBMISSION OF EVENT 2 INITIAL TENDER

3.1 Your event 2 Initial Tender Submission must be received by the Authority before the event 2 Initial Tender Submission Deadline as detailed in paragraph 4 Procurement Timetable of the Invitation to Tender (Attachment 1a).

### 3.2 Late Submissions

3.2.1 Any event 2 Initial Tender Submissions received after the event 2 Initial Tender Submission Deadline may be excluded by the Authority having regard to the principles of proportionality, transparency and equal treatment.

## 4. EVENT 2 COMPLIANCE / VALIDATION

- 4.1 Prior to commencing the formal evaluation process, your event 2 Initial Tender Submission will be checked to ensure compliance with the requirements of the Invitation to Tender. Any non-compliant event 2 Initial Tender Submissions may, including in the event further questions are asked or clarification is sought by the Authority if Potential Providers fail to produce a satisfactory response, be excluded by the Authority from this Procurement.
- 4.2 Potential Providers who are excluded on grounds of non-compliance will be notified accordingly.

### 5. OVERVIEW OF STAGE 2 AWARD EVALUATION PROCESS

- 5.1 The event 2 Award evaluation will comprise of:
  - 5.1.1 an evaluation of Potential Providers responses to Award Questions ("Quality Evaluation") as detailed in paragraph 5.5; and
  - 5.1.2 an evaluation of the values tendered in the Pricing ("**Price Evaluation**") as detailed in paragraph 5.6.
- 5.2 The maximum possible score capable of being achieved by a Potential Provider will be 100% (being the sum of the scores achieved for the Quality Evaluation and Price Evaluation i.e. 45 + 55)
- 5.3 The Quality Evaluation is weighted at 45%. The Price Evaluation is weighted at 55%.

#### 5.4 Event 2 Consensus Marking Procedure

- 5.4.1 Event 2 Initial Tender Award Questionnaire questions AQA1, AQA2, AQB1, AQB2, AQB3, AQB4, AQB5, AQB6, and AQB7 that are scored and require evaluation will be evaluated in accordance with the Consensus Marking Procedure as set out in this paragraph.
- 5.4.2 The Consensus Marking Procedure is a two-step process, comprising of:
  - a) Independent evaluation; and
  - b) Group consensus marking.
- 5.4.3 During the independent evaluation process each evaluator will separately (i.e. without conferring with other evaluators) scrutinise the quality of answers given by you in your event 2 Award Questionnaire. Evaluators will apply the criteria applicable to the question as set out in the evaluation guidance to determine the overall quality of each answer. Each evaluator will then allocate a mark for the answer in accordance with the Marking Scheme applicable to that question. Each evaluator will also provide a justification for the mark they attribute to an answer. All of the evaluators' marks and related justifications will be recorded separately in the e-Sourcing Suite.
- 5.4.4 When the independent evaluation exercise has been completed by all of the evaluators, a group consensus marking exercise will be coordinated by the consensus manager as follows:

- a) The consensus manager will review the marks allocated by the individual evaluators together with their justifications for awarding the marks for each question.
- b) The consensus manager will arrange for the evaluators to meet and discuss the marks they have allocated to responses provided in the event 2 Award Questionnaire. The consensus manager will facilitate discussion among the evaluators regarding the marks awarded and the related justifications.
- c) During the meeting each evaluator will discuss the quality of the answers given to a question and review their justification for attributing the marks having regard to the relevant Marking Scheme. The evaluators will continue discussing the answers until the evaluators reach a consensus regarding the mark that should be attributed to each Potential Provider's answer to the question.
- d) The consensus manager will record the consensus mark and the justification for the consensus mark in the e-Sourcing Suite.
- e) The process above will be repeated until all applicable answers in event 2 Award Questionnaire have been consensus marked by evaluators.
- 5.4.5 When the Consensus Marking Procedure has been completed, the e-Sourcing Suite will be secured by the consensus marker to ensure no further modifications are made to the consensus marks and justifications.

### 5.5 Event 2 Initial Tender Quality Evaluation

- 5.5.1 The information submitted in your event 2 Initial Tender Award Questionnaire will enable the Authority to consider your suitability to deliver the Framework Services. If you fail to respond fully and accurately you may be excluded from this Procurement.
- 5.5.2 The quality questions for event 2, along with the Marking Scheme and maximum score available (where applicable) for each question is set out in Attachment 3 Award Questionnaire. The questions are set out in three (3) sections: Section A, Section B and Section C.

5.5.2.1 Section C is for information purposes only and will not be scored

- 5.5.3 The evaluation of each of the scored questions in event 2 Award Questionnaire (i.e. questions AQA1, AQA2, AQB1, AQB2, AQB3, AQB4, AQB5, AQB6, and AQB7) will be conducted and consensus checked in accordance with the Consensus Marking Procedure as set out in paragraph 5.4.
- 5.5.4 Question AQA1 is a Mandatory Question (see Attachment 1a paragraph 11). It asks Potential Providers to demonstrate their capability for each of the seven (7) TEM Services. As these TEM Services are the core requirement for this Procurement any Potential Provider who fails to score above a 0 at any Tender deadline including Initial Tender will not be able to progress further in the Procurement.
- 5.5.5 Question AQB6 requires Potential Providers to provide reporting and dashboards (a summary of data) for all users (Authority and Customer) according to their access rights. As this is a core requirement for this Procurement, Potential Providers who have not submitted all the screenshots ensuring they are legible) for all the reports listed in Annex 4 Reporting Requirements of this document, as attachments to AQB6 in the e-Sourcing suite, at Tender 1 Deadline will score 0 and will not be able to progress further in the Procurement.

- 5.5.6 When the Marks for each question have been determined they will be added together to determine an overall score for the event 2 Initial Tender Quality Evaluation (**Event 2 Quality Score**).
- 5.5.7 Please note if the event 2 Initial Tender Submission is submitted by the Lead Contact of a Group of Economic Operators you must clearly identify in response to any of the following questions, when you are relying on another member of the Group of Economic Operators, the name of the particular member and explain the member's role capability and experience as the context of the question required, in accordance with paragraph 6 of the Invitation to Tender (Attachment 1a).

### 5.6 Overview of Quality Evaluation (quality criteria and Maximum Score Available)

Question		Scoring Scheme	Maximum Weighted Score (%)	Maximum Weighted Quality Score (%)
	Section A	- Scored Ques	tions	
AQA1	The Solution	100-0 <mark>*</mark>	45	20.25
AQA2	Supporting Services	100-0 <mark>*</mark>	7	3.15
Т	otal achievable scores for Se	ection A	52	23.4
	Section B	- Scored Ques	tions	
AQB1	Roles and Responsibilities	100/50/0	6	2.7
AQB2	Implementation Plan	100/50/0	7	3.15
AQB3	Customer Marketing and Workflow Management	100/50/0	6	2.7
AQB4	Customer On-Boarding Plan	100/50/0	6	2.7
AQB5	Data Gathering/Retrieval	100-0 <mark>*</mark>	6	2.7
AQB6	Reporting	100/50/0	7	3.15

AQB7	Information Security Management Plan	100/50/0	10	4.5
Total achievable scores for Section B		48	21.6	
Total achievable scores for Section A & B combined with Quality weighting applied.		100	45	

# 5.7 Event 2 Price Evaluation Process

5.7.1 Pricing submitted by you in Attachment 3b and/or Attachment 3c Potential Provider pricing sheet will be recorded and evaluated. The process for this is illustrated with examples in the table below:

Primary Service/ Services	Calculation
Primary Service 1 - Mobile TEM	<ul> <li>Pricing model 1 - Fixed Unit Model (FUM)</li> <li>The Fixed Unit Model (pricing model 1) is worth 50% of the available score applicable to pricing.</li> <li>The lowest price received from all Potential Providers gets a score of 100.00. All other prices are scored against the formula listed in scoring principle 4.</li> <li>E.g. The lowest price of £1.00 scores 100, the next price is £1.50. The formula</li> </ul>
	to determine the score for £1.50 is: 100 x <u>1.00</u> = 66.67 (Potential Provider FUM score) 1.50 The FUM score is weighted at 50% of the total score for Mobile TEM. To work out the FUM weighted score for Mobile TEM we apply the following:
	Potential Provider FUM score x 50 = 33.34 (PP weighted FUM score)

100 (Max FUM score)
Pricing model 2 - Gainshare Model (GM)
The Gainshare Model (pricing model 2) is worth 50%.of the available pricing score. The Gainshare Model has two elements. The fixed unit price provided in this pricing model is worth 25% and the gainshare percentage is also worth 25%. These are added together to give the 50% of the score applicable to pricing for the Gainshare Model (pricing model 2).
The lowest price received from all Potential Providers gets a score of 100.00. All other prices are scored against the formula listed in scoring principle 4.
E.g. The lowest price of £1.00 scores 100, the next price is £1.50. The formula to determine the score for £1.50 is:
100 x <u>1.00</u> = 66.67 (Potential Provider GM score) 1.50
The GM score is weighted at 25% of the total score for Mobile TEM. To work out the GM weighted score for Mobile TEM we apply the following:
Potential Provider GM score x 25 = 16.67 (Potential Providers weighted GM score) 100 (Max GM score)
Gainshare percentage (GP)
The lowest gainshare percentage received from all Potential Providers gets a score of 100.00. All other percentages are scored against formula listed in scoring principle 4.
E.g. The lowest percentage of 1.00% scores 100, the next percentage is 1.50%. The formula to determine the score for 1.50% is:

	100 x <u>1.00</u> = 66.67 (Potential Provider GP score)
	1.50
	The GP score is weighted at 25% of the total score for Mobile TEM. To work out the GP weighted score for Mobile TEM we apply the following:
	Potential Provider GP score x 25 = 16.67 (PP weighted GP score)
	100 (Max GP score)
	All three weighted scores above are added together to work out the total Mobile TEM score for the Potential Provider. The maximum total score for Mobile TEM is 100.
	33.34(FMU) + 16.67 (GM) + 16.67 (GP) = 66.68 Potential Providers Mobile TEM score
	Mobile TEM is worth 25% of the total weighted score for Primary Service 1. To work out Mobile TEMs weighted score for Primary Service 1 we apply the following:
	<u>66.68</u> (PP Mobile TEM score) x $25 = 16.67$ (PP weighted Mobile TEM score)
	100.00 (Max total score for Mobile TEM)
Primary Service 1 - Fixed Line TEM	Fixed unit model is worth 50% and gainshare is worth 50%. Gainshare has two elements - gainshare model which is worth 25% and gainshare percentage which is worth 25% these are added together to give the 50% for gainshare.
	Fixed Unit Model (FUM)
	The lowest price received from all Potential Providers gets a score of 100.00. All other prices are scored against the formula listed in scoring principle 4.
	E.g. The lowest price of £1.00 scores 100, the next price is £1.50. The formula to determine the score for £1.50 is:
	100 x <u>1.00</u> = 66.67 (Potential Provider FUM score) 1.50
	other prices are scored against the formula listed in scoring principle 4. E.g. The lowest price of £1.00 scores 100, the next price is £1.50. The formula to determine the score for £1.50 is: $100 \times 1.00 = 66.67$ (Potential Provider FUM score)

The FUM is weighted at 50% of the total score for Fixed Line TEM. To work o the FUM weighted score for Fixed Line TEM we apply the following:
<u>Potential Provider FUM score</u> x 50 = 33.34 (PP weighted FUM score) 100 (Max FUM score)
<u>Gainshare Model (GM)</u>
The lowest price received from all Potential Providers gets a score of 100.00. other prices are scored against the formula listed in scoring principle 4.
E.g. The lowest price of £1.00 scores 100, the next price is £1.50. The formul to determine the score for £1.50 is:
100 x <u>1.00</u> = 66.67 (Potential Provider GM score) 1.50
The GM is weighted at 25% of the total score for Fixed Line TEM. To work ou the GM weighted score for Fixed Line TEM we apply the following:
Potential Provider GM score x 25 = 16.67 (PP weighted GM score) 100 (Max GM score)
Gainshare Percentage (GP)
The lowest gainshare percentage received from all Potential Providers gets a score of 100.00. All other percentages are scored against formula listed in scoring principle 4.
E.g. The lowest percentage of 1.00% scores 100, the next percentage is 1.50%. The formula to determine the score for 1.50% is:

	$100 \times 1.00 = 66.67$ (Potential Provider GP score)
	1.50
	The GP is weighted at 25% of the total score for Fixed Line TEM. To work out the GP weighted score for Fixed Line TEM we apply the following:
	Potential Provider GP score x 25 = 16.67 (PP weighted GP score) 100 (Max GP score)
	All three weighted scores above are added together. The maximum score for Fixed Line TEM is 100.
	33.34(FMU) + 16.67 (GM) + 16.67 (GP) = 66.68 PP Fixed Line TEM score
	Fixed Line TEM is worth 37.5% of the total weighting for Primary Service 1. To work out Fixed Line TEMs weighted score for Primary Service 1 we apply the following:
	<u>66.68</u> x 37.5 = 25.01 (PP weighted Fixed Line TEM score)
	100.00 (Max Fixed Line TEM score)
Primary Service 1 - Data Circuit TEM	Fixed unit model is worth 50% and gainshare is worth 50%. Gainshare has two elements - gainshare model which is worth 25% and gainshare percentage which is worth 25% these are added together to give the 50% for gainshare.
	Fixed Unit Model (FUM)
	The lowest price received from all Potential Providers gets a score of 100.00. All other prices are scored against the formula listed in scoring principle 4.
	E.g. The lowest price of £1.00 scores 100, the next price is £1.50. The formula to determine the score for £1.50 is:
	100 x <u>1.00</u> = 66.67 (Potential Provider FUM score) 1.50

The FUM is weighted at 50% of the total score for Data Circuit TEM. To work out the FUM weighted score for Data Circuit TEM we apply the following:
<u>Potential Provider FUM score</u> x 50 = 33.34 (PP weighted FUM score) 100 (Max FUM score)
<u>Gainshare Model (GM)</u>
The lowest price received from all Potential Providers gets a score of 100.00. A other prices are scored against the formula listed in scoring principle 4.
E.g. The lowest price of $\pounds$ 1.00 scores 100, the next price is $\pounds$ 1.50. The formula to determine the score for $\pounds$ 1.50 is:
100 x <u>1.00</u> = 66.67 (Potential Provider GM score) 1.50
The GM is weighted at 25% of the total score for Data Circuit TEM. To work our the GM weighted score for Data Circuit TEM we apply the following:
<u>Potential Provider GM score</u> $x 25 = 16.67$ (PP weighted GM score)
100 (Max GM score)
Gainshare Percentage (GP)
The lowest gainshare percentage received from all Potential Providers gets a score of 100.00. All other percentages are scored against formula listed in scoring principle 4.
E.g. The lowest percentage of 1.00% scores 100, the next percentage is 1.50%. The formula to determine the score for 1.50% is:

$100 \times 1.00 = 66.67$ (Potential Provider GP score)	
1.50	
The GP is weighted at 25% of the total score for Data Circuit TEM.	To work out
the GP weighted score for Data Circuit TEM we apply the following:	
Potential Provider GP score x 25 = 16.67 (PP weighted GP score)	
100 (Max GP score)	
All three weighted scores above are added together. The maximum	score for
Data Circuit TEM is 100.	
33.34(FMU) + 16.67 (GM) + 16.67 (GP) = 66.68 Data Circuit TEM s	core
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Data Circuit TEM is worth 37.5% of the total weighting for Primary S	
work out Data Circuit TEMs weighted score for Primary Service 1 we	e apply the
following:	
<u>66.68</u> x 37.5 = 25.01 (Potential Providers weighted Data Circuit T	EM score)
100.00 (Max Data Circuit TEM score)	
Primary Weighted score for Primary Service 1	
Service 1	
Weighted The total weighted scores for Mobile TEM, Fixed Line TEM and Data Score	
Score TEM are added together to give a Potential Providers technology sc (maximum technology score is 100).	ore
Weighting	
60% E.g. 16.67 (weighted Mobile TEM score) + 25.01 (weighted Fixed Li	
score) + 25.01 (weighted Data Circuit TEM score) = 66.69 (Technological Score)	ogy score)
To work out the weighted score for Primary Service 1 we apply the f	following:
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<b><u>PP technology score</u></b> x 60 = weighted score for Primary Service	e 1
100	
(max technology score)	

	E.g.
	66.69 x 60 = 40.01 (PP weighted score for Primary Service 1) 100
Service 2 - Contact Services	Fixed Unit Model (FUM) The lowest price given receives a score of 100.00. All other prices are scored
Weighting 10%	against the formula listed in scoring principle 4. E.g. The lowest price of £1.00 scores 100, the next price is £1.50. The formula to determine the score for £1.50 is:
	100 x <u>1.00</u> = 66.67 (Potential Provider FUM score) 1.50
	Weighted score for Service 2
	To work out the weighted score for Service 2 we apply the following:
	<u>Potential Providers FUM score</u> x 10 = weighted score for Service 2 100 (max FUM score)
	E.g.
	66.67 x 10 = 6.67 (Potential Providers weighted score for Service 2) 100
Service 3 - Personal use	Fixed Unit Model (FUM)
Managem ent	The lowest price given receives a score of 100.00. All other prices are scored against the formula listed in scoring principle 4.

Weighting 5%	E.g. The lowest price of £1.00 scores 100, the next price is £1.50. The formula to determine the score for £1.50 is:		
	100 x <u>1.00</u> = 66.67 (Potential Provider FUM score) 1.50		
	Weighted score for Service 3		
	To work out the weighted score for Service 3 we apply the following:		
	<u>Potential Providers FUM score</u> x 5 = weighted score for Service 3 100		
	(max FUM score)		
	E.g.		
	<u>66.67</u> x 5 = 3.33 (Potential Providers weighted score for Service 3) 100		
Service 4 - Tactical	Fixed Unit Model (FUM)		
Provisioni ng/Orderi ng	The lowest price given receives a score of 100.00. All other prices are scored against the formula listed in scoring principle 4.		
Weighting 5%	E.g. The lowest price of $\pounds1.00$ scores 100, the next price is $\pounds1.50$ . The formula to determine the score for $\pounds1.50$ is:		
	100 x <u>1.00</u> = 66.67 (Potential Provider FUM score) 1.50		
	Weighted score for Service 4		

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	To work out the weighted score for Service 4 we apply the following:
	<u>Potential Providers FUM score</u> x 5 = weighted score for Service 4 100 (max FUM score)
	E.g. <u>66.67</u> x 5 = 3.33 (Potential Providers weighted score for Service 4) 100
Service 5 - Historic billing audit	Gainshare model for historic billing audit. (Please note that for the historic billing audit Service this only requires the entry of a gainshare percentage, there is no fixed unit price included).
Weighting 10%	The lowest percentage of spend given receives a score of 100.00. All other prices are scored against the formula listed in scoring principle 4.
	E.g. The lowest percentage of 1.00% scores 100, the next percentage is 1.50%. The formula to determine the score for 1.50% is:
	100 x <u>1.00</u> = 66.67 (Potential Provider GM score) 1.50
	Weighted score for Service 5
	To work out the weighted score for Service 5 we apply the following:
	Potential Providers GM score x 10 = weighted score for Service 5
	(max GM score)
	E.g.

	66.67 x 10 = 6.67 (Potential Providers weighted score for Service 5) 100			
Service 6 - Physical Audit	Day Rate Model (DR)			
Weighting 5%	The lowest price given receives a score of 100.00. All other prices are scored against the formula listed in scoring principle 4.			
	E.g. The lowest price of £1.00 scores 100, the next price is £1.50. The formula to determine the score for £1.50 is:			
	100 x <u>1.00</u> = 66.67 (Potential Provider DR score) 1.50			
	Weighted score for Service 6			
	To work out the weighted score for Service 6 we apply the following:			
	Potential Providers DR score x 5 = weighted score for Service 6			
	(max DR score)			
	E.g.			
	<u>66.67</u> x 5 = 3.33 (Potential Providers weighted score for Service 6) 100			
Service 7 -	Day Rate Model (DR)			
Snapshot Weighting 5%	The lowest price given receives a score of 100.00. All other prices are scored against the formula listed in scoring principle 4.			
	E.g. The lowest price of $\pounds$ 1.00 scores 100, the next price is $\pounds$ 1.50. The formula to determine the score for $\pounds$ 1.50 is:			

	100 x <u>1.00</u> = 66.67 (Potential Provider DR score) 1.50
	Weighted score for Service 7
	To work out the weighted score for Service 7 we apply the following:
	<u>Potential Providers DR score</u> x 5 = weighted score for Service 7 100 (max DR score)
	E.g.
	<u>66.67</u> x 5 = 3.33 (Potential Providers weighted score for Service 7) 100
Potential Providers Total TEM Score	All seven (7) weighted scores for the Service (Primary Service/Services 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 & 7) are added together giving the Potential Providers total TEM score. So for the examples provided above the Potential Providers total TEM score would be: <b>66.67</b>
Potential Providers Final	The formula to work out a Potential Providers Final Pricing score is as follows.
Pricing Score	<u>PP total TEM score</u> x 55 = Potential Providers Final Pricing score 100 (Max total TEM score)
	E.g.
	<u>66.67</u> x 55 = 36.6
	100

# 5.8 Event 2 Price Evaluation methodology

- 5.8.1 The Price Evaluation process will be undertaken by different evaluators to those individuals involved with the Quality Evaluation process.
- 5.8.2 The Price Evaluation process and resultant ranking of Potential Providers (along with the marks awarded) will be independently checked and verified.
- 5.8.3 If a pricing item you have provided is abnormally low the Authority may reject your Tender. In this event the Authority will take the following steps:
  - a) to request in writing an explanation of the abnormally low pricing item, which may include explanations of one or more of the following:
    - (i) the economics of the Services provided;
    - the technical solutions suggested by you or the exceptionally favourable conditions available to you for the provision of Services;
    - (iii) the originality of the Services;
    - (iv) your compliance with the provisions relating to environmental, social, labour laws referred to in Regulation 56 (2);
    - (v) your compliance with the sub-contracting obligations referred to in Regulation 71; and
    - (vi) the possibility of you obtaining state aid;
  - b) to take account of the evidence provided by the Potential Provider in response; and
  - c) to subsequently verify with them the pricing item being abnormally low.
- 5.8.4 When the score has been determined it will become the overall score for the Price Evaluation ("**Price Score**"), event 2 Initial Tender.

## 6. EVENT 2 FINAL SCORE

6.1 The Quality Score awarded for event 2 will be added to the Initial Price Score for event 2 to determine the final score for each Potential Provider (**Event 2 Final Score**). Please see worked example in the table below:

Potential Provider	Event 2 Quality Score (Maximum Score 45)	Event 2 Initial Price Score (Maximum Score 55)	<b>Event 2 Final Score</b> (Maximum Score 100)
POTENTIAL PROVIDER A	15.70	25.25	30.95
POTENTIAL PROVIDER B	30.25	30.00	60.25

## 7. EVENT 2 FEEDBACK SESSIONS

- 7.1 Once Evaluation and Consensus have been completed and an event 2 Final Score attributed to each Potential Providers Initial Tender, face to face feedback meeting will be arranged via the e-Sourcing suite.
- 7.2 The face to face feedback meeting will be at the following address: Crown Commercial Service, Rosebery Court, St Andrews Business Park, Norwich, NR7 0HS.

- 7.3 The Potential Provider should nominate one (1) person (a lead) to attend this feedback meeting in person.
- 7.4 The Authority reserves the right to have two (2) attendees during the feedback meeting.
- 7.5 Each Potential Providers feedback meeting will last a maximum of one (1) hour.
- 7.6 The face to face meetings will only be used to provide feedback, no negotiation will take place.
- 7.7 Written confirmation of the feedback given at these sessions will be issued via the e-Sourcing suite within forty eight (48) hours of the feedback meeting being completed.
- 7.8 At the conclusion of the feedback meeting of each individual Potential Provider, the Authority will open a bespoke event 3 and will request the Potential Provider to submit a further improved Award Questionnaire (Tender 1) incorporating the clarification and feedback received from the feedback meetings.
- 7.9 Event 3 Tender 1 will be bespoke to the individual Potential Providers and will include their name and the event number for clarity. Potential Providers will also have bespoke staggered Tender Deadlines in relation to the date of the feedback meeting they attended with the Authority to ensure that Potential Providers have equivalent time to revise their Tenders (if required).
- 7.10 Event 3 Tender 1 will open in the eSourcing suite for Potential Providers on a staggered. Please refer to Attachment 1a paragraph 4 Procurement Timetable for indicative dates.