

## Coastal Forces: Spitfires of the Seas

### Queries and Clarification Requests 31 January 2018

**Most importantly: please note that the budget for this project is £450,000 as per the ITT, NOT the lower figure which mistakenly appeared on Contracts Finder for the first two days of the listing.**

**Secondly the INTERVIEW DATE has moved to FRIDAY 9 FEBRUARY**

|    | Question  | Response   |
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| 1  | Can you please confirm the preferred entrance and exit points into P Building?  | This is still under discussion with our Operations team. It is more likely to be the North door.   |
| 2  | Have Conservation Management Plans been drawn up for the boats? If so, are these available?   | These are currently in production and will be shared as soon as they are available.  |
| 3  | Has a presentation date/year been decided for each boat?  | No, we will decide this as part of the design process.   |
| 4  | Can you provide an indication of the range of replica equipment that will be required for both boats in order to accurately provide a sense of what they looked like when in operation? | This is dependent on budget but we expect to include replica weapons and deck fittings. No internal equipment will be required.  |
| 5  | Will visitors be allowed onto the boats?  | No, the decks are too fragile.   |
| 6  | Have timeframes been established for the restoration and installation of the two boats?   | This is dependent on the Conservation Management Plans which are currently in production. The restoration of the boats can take place off site.  |
| 7  | Are the display cases, listed as available, based upon an assessment of the material to be displayed?   | No, they are from an existing temporary exhibition.  |
| 8  | Where are the display cases listed to be moved from?  | The cases are currently in Portsmouth Historic Dockyard in Boathouse 5. We anticipate paying Click Netherfield to dismantle, move and arrange the cases. This will be funded out of the Exhibition budget. |
| 9  | Have the display cases been used before?  | Yes, they are three year old Click Netherfield cases.  |
| 10 | Do the display cases require refurbishment?   | No, the cases do not require refurbishment.  |
| 11 | What on-going resources will be available for rotation of the material on display?  | Spitfires of the Sea is a permanent gallery. Long  |

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|    |  | term responsibility for content rotation and updates to material will sit with NMRN once any initial guarantee periods have lapsed. On-going resource for this has yet to be agreed but if appropriate they will be found from NMRN core funding.  |
| 12 | What is the life expectancy of the permanent exhibition?   | We expect it to last 10 years.   |
| 13 | Is it possible to dig up the floor to run power cables?  | As the floor is historic and listed, it will be sealed. Therefore any power will have to be high level.  |
| 14 | With reference to Cost Table Template 2 on Page 17 of the ITT document, could you please confirm if you require hourly or daily rates (the text states hours and the table states days).   | Daily Rates will be acceptable   |
| 15 | Could you please clarify if you are seeking Design & Contract Management or Design & Build Services. The tender is titled Design & Build, however asking for a fee rather than a lump sum price, in addition to the scope requirement to 'manage the procurement of key skills / equipment ...etc' (Scope of Work point 1.5 and 1.6), would imply a Design & Contract Management service | On reflection we understand that there may be some potential for misunderstanding here. The services required are Design and Contract Management for all aspects of the exhibition through to completion. Ideally we seek to work with an integrated team to deliver this. Procurement must be carried out in line with public sector procurement regulations. |

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