Using natural capital risk evidence in strategic risk management: Responses to clarifying questions

* The RFQ states that the evaluation criteria is 70% technical, 30% commercial and then later on states that commercial is 40% of the evaluation criteria. Could you confirm that the evaluation criteria is 70% technical, 30% commercial?
  + I can confirm that the evaluation criteria is 70% technical, 30% commercial. This has now been amended in the RFQ.
* Could you confirm the maximum total price for this opportunity?
  + The contract value is up to £41,665 exclusive of VAT.
* Is it possible to get access to the draft upcoming SONC report for use in formulating our approach please? If not, is it possible to just get access to the risk framework you are using in the upcoming SONC report?
  + The full SONC report and Natural Capital Risk Register technical report will be shared with the successful bidder at the contract outset, but we are unable to release it more widely than this at the present.
  + The risk ratings detailed in the RFQ were assigned based on the highest impact to date and the highest current and ongoing driver score, from all the drivers of change; this was based on the UK National Ecosystem Assessment Chapter 3 (Drivers of Change) driver-asset and driver-service matrices. Figure 3.1 from the UKNEA was updated for the SONC based on latest evidence and expert opinion.
* Is the SONC contributing to this review or vice versa? i.e. Is there interest in the project informing the SONC?
  + The SONC has been finalised and is ready for publication so the review and other elements of the contract will be informed by the SONC rather than vice versa.
* Is there any opportunity to extend the 4th August deadline?
  + Unfortunately the deadline can not be extended.