

SHIRE LODGE CEMETERY EXTENSION PROCUREMENT QUESTION LOG

Where we have been asked questions regarding this procurement, the answers to which may be relevant to all bidders, these questions have been reproduced below along with the associated answers.

Question 1

Having started to review the documents it would appear that the proposed works will exceed the budget of £650,000. Could you advise how this will be dealt with please, the documents suggest the scope will be reduced. What are the critical parts of the scheme?

Answer 1

A list of "Optional Extras" can be found in the Pricing Schedule on sheet "OE". These are the only potential variations to the Council's requirement.

Question 2

Based on the main tender documents being received yesterday and the project being design and build I would like to request a 2 week extension of time in order to fulfil the submission requirements.

Answer 2

On this occasion, the Council cannot provide any extension to the originally published Tender Response deadline date.

Question 3

Just to clarify, the ITB states "Civil Works" but the price schedule identifies a welfare building to construct and some building refurbishment. Can you confirm the building elements are within our scope as a Civil contractor?

Answer 3

Based on the Council's requirements detailed within the Specification and supporting documents, it is for the Bidder to determine whether the project is within their field of expertise and ability to undertake. The Council is unable to provide a steer on this matter.

Question 4

Is a drawing available that clearly defines the split between each section of the Bill of Quantities? Upon checking some of the quantities on the drawings they don't seem to reflect what's in the Bill of Quantities. This way we know exactly the boundary of each section.

Answer 4

The Council have split the areas of the BOQ into working areas which correspond to tender drawings i.e. Car park, cemetery extension. Please note that the responsibility remains on the Bidder to ensure the accuracy of their pricing of quantities.

Question 5

Is any as-built information available for the existing toilet block as we have been unable to find any within the documents as yet?

Answer 5

Unfortunately the Council do not have as-built information of the existing toilet block. Bidders are encouraged to visit site to satisfy themselves of requirements.

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Question 6

Can we request the drawing shown in appendix A of document 4938 Development Specification Welfare Facilities Option B?

Answer 6

The drawing is contained in 4938 Development Specification Welfare Facilities Option B. The Council does not have another copy beyond that which has been provided.

Question 7a

Regarding the **refurbishment of existing storage area – option B**, does the floor, walls and ceilings to the changing area need insulating, if so will we receive a specification or shall we make a suitable allowance?

Answer 7a

Please see answer to Question 7b.

Question 7b

Regarding the **refurbishment of existing storage area – option B**, the current specification mentions drylining walls but provides no reference to insulation, can you confirm the Council's requirements?

Answer 7b

Please allow for 70mm Thermaline Super wall lining with integral plasterboard face to the existing walls of the changing area, 1 Layer of 200mm Rockwool insulation laid over the ceiling

Question 7c

Regarding the **refurbishment of existing storage area – option B**, there is no mention of ceiling finish, should we assume a MF ceiling?

Answer 7c

Allow MF Ceiling insulated above for costing purposes.

Question 7d

Regarding the **refurbishment of existing storage area – option B**, floor only to be painted, but would think this will need to be 150mm above current store level for building regulations, meaning then the floor possibly will be a timber floating floor with vinyl on top, can you confirm?

Answer 7d

Please allow a floating floor to the Changing Area with full fill rockwool insulation with vinyl finish and coved skirtings.

Question 8

Regarding the **new welfare building**, will there be any structural engineer's details forthcoming? (This is not necessarily needed after reviewing architect drawings as there should be enough to go on and/or make reasonable assumptions, but it would be useful to know if there are any structural engineer's details).

Answer 8

No Structural Engineers Details available. Bidders are to make reasonable assumptions.

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Question 9

Can you confirm the location of the access road please? (SOW - Preparatory Works - Item 8/9).

The scope suggests its 680m long, the BOQ describes it as a grasscrete type construction total 442m² but the drawings only show around 50m² of grasscrete in two small areas. I could do with confirmation of where this is on the drawings.

Answer 9

The access road in SOW - Preparatory Works - Item 8/9 is a temporary road in the POS area to the south of the existing cemetery to provide a link between the car park and cemetery extension working areas.

The 680m access road included in the scope is for the new cemetery access roads.

The 442m² (SOW – Access Road - Item 1) is the Sports Ground Link shown on drawing 4938-005B Localised Sports Ground Link Access

Question 10

The quantity seems small compared to number of proposed plots. Are there locations or more details available? (SOW - Cemetery Extension - Item 14)

Answer 10

The design surface water design and storage has been approved by the Lead Local Flood Authority.

Question 11

Is there further information or location available? (SOW - Cemetery Extension - Item 15)

Answer 11

Exact location will need to be agreed on-site but will be in the south east corner of cemetery extension.

Question 12

Are there plans or any drawings available to show proposed works? (SOW - Building refurbishment - Item 1)

Answer 12

Unfortunately the Council do not have as-built information of the existing building. Bidders are encouraged to visit site to satisfy themselves of requirements.

Question 13

Is this item not duplicated with SOW - Access Road? (Optional Extras - Preparatory Works - Item 1/2)

Answer 13

If budget prevents the Council installing a permanent Sports Ground Link Access as shown on drawing 4938-005B Localised Sports Ground Link Access, we will need this item to provide temporary access road to working areas.

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Question 14

Could you confirm works and location? (Optional Extras - Strip Out Removal - Item 2)

Answer 14

It is the square structure on drawing 4938-006F Localised Site Entrance Plan to the south of the W.C's.

Question 15

Is this duplicated with SOW Building refurbishment? (Optional Extras - Building Refurbishment)

Answer 15

The Council wants to do the refurbishment of the toilet block shown on drawing 4938-006F Localised Site Entrance Plan but (Optional Extras - Building Refurbishment) may only take place if budget allows.

Question 16

The BOQ refers to the open space corridor hard landscaping footway as being 2m wide, the drawings show the footway as nearer to 4m. Can you advise please?

Answer 16

Please provide for a 2m footway.

Question 17

Car Park Extension, Item 14 & Cemetery Extension, Item 21 – Describes a Palisade Security fence being 2.10m high. The Palisade Fence Detail 4938/LP/20/SD02 & SD03 – Describes a Palisade Fence & Gate 1.80m high. This detail also states a British Standard that relates to a 3.0m high Security Fence with extended length posts, additional rails and trench underneath the fence. The Hard Landscape Plan describes something completely different for the Security fencing, it actually describes a Mesh Panel Fencing System 2.40m high. Please confirm what fencing is to be used for this part?

Answer 17

Please provide 2.1m high palisade fence and gates.

Question 18

Access Road, Item 3– Describes a Post & Rail Fence. The Post & Rail Fence Detail 4938/LP/20/SD04 – Describes a Post & Rail Fence 1.80m high. Normally and in most circumstances this type of fence is generally set at 1.20m high. This type of fence is commonly used as an agricultural demarcation fence, stock fence & highway boundary. Please can you confirm that 1800mm high is required or is a mistake on the actual drawing?

Answer 18

Please provide 1.2m high post and rail fence.