

Coastal Forces: Spitfires of the Seas

Queries and Clarification Requests 18 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
1	Can you confirm that both the MTBs will be moved from Yeovilton and located within Block P by the NMRN?	NMRN will carry out this move and it will not be funded from the advertised exhibition budget.
2	Can you provide a rough base build programme?	We are awaiting clarity on this from PNBPT.
3	Can you provide us with a copy of the base build specification? If this is not possible we will assume the following are excluded from the exhibition works: heating, sufficient mains electrical supplies, security alarms, fire alarms (including additional smoke heads to suit the exhibition layout, the testing, commissioning and witnessing), emergency and cleaners lighting, cleaners small power sockets, wall and ceiling decorations, sealing the existing concrete floor, all toilet fitout works and fire escape doors / alarms and ironmongery.	We are awaiting clarity on this from PNBPT. Mains electrical supply, house (cleaning) lighting and small power sockets, floor sealing and all aspects of toilet fitout can reasonably be assumed.
4	From the list of potential artefacts, can you confirm which will require presentation in a showcase or behind barriers?	Given the environmental conditions in the building as many artefacts as possible/practical should be cased. The only obvious exceptions would be the boats themselves, and large weaponry from the Explosion collection. However we CAN confirm that cases will be available as free issue. The cost of removing and reinstalling these will have to be born by the exhibition budget but will be directly procured by NMRN.
5	Will all model moves and artefact displays be undertaken by the NMRN?	Yes. Costs will be born by the exhibition budget.
6	Will object mounts be direct by the NMRN and excluded from the £450k budget?	No. Mounts will be procured by NMRN but will have to be funded from the exhibition budget.
7	Is the suggested weaponry to be displayed as part of the exhibition area (i.e. like HMS gallery) or installed on the MTBs as appropriate? If the former, can you provide approximate weights?	Original weaponry will be displayed in the exhibition gallery as the boats are too fragile to take original weapons, and some are not specific to 71 or 331. We would anticipate simple replicas being mounted on the boats to give a sense of their fit out when operational.

8	Are all works directly relating to the physical presentation of the MTBs to be by NMRN.	No. CONSERVATION of the boats will be funded internally by NMRN and will not be funded from the exhibition budget. INTERPRETATION of the boats (including replica equipment etc) should be considered part of the exhibition.
9	Can you confirm how the 'large models held by the Coastal Forces Heritage Trust are to be displayed, approximate sizes and that the NMRN will be responsible for their move in to Block P?	Final number of models is yet to be confirmed but is unlikely to exceed fifteen. The largest known size is approximately L 1500mm x H 800mm x W 400mm BUT it is possible additional donations may come in over the development period. Models should be displayed cased. NMRN will organise moves but it should be anticipated that costs be covered from the exhibition budget.
10	Are there any specific allowances the NMRN require to be included as part of the exhibition budget, other than fitout works?	The exhibition budget should allow for all elements of exhibition design and build, exclusive of base build elements.
11	Can you confirm if you require a reception desk and roughly how many staff will be in the building during normal opening hours?	Unfortunately, this cannot be confirmed at this stage as internal conversations are still ongoing.
12	Has any exhibition design work for this exhibition been developed for inclusion in the PNBPT HLF Round 2 submission? If so, is it possible for you to forward a copy of the document(s)?	No. PNBPT HLF submission is under the Heritage Enterprise Scheme and is for site development and bringing heritage structures back into productive use. PNBPT's work package on Building P is for base build only ie making the building wind and watertight, widening the door and bringing in power, light and drainage.
13	With reference to Annex 1, Scope of Works points 1.5 and 1.6, should we require the procurement of key skills as part of the delivery process, are there any standard NMRN procurement processes that we would need to adhere to (e.g. the provision of a set number of quotations etc), that might impact upon the timescale for the project?	See accompanying document 'NMRN Procurement Summary.' Given the relatively long lead time for this project I see no reason why adhering to these requirements should impact upon timescales.
14	Could you confirm if it would be acceptable for us to submit our response in our own corporate template, or does the response need to be kept in the Word document template provided for the ITT document?	Your template is acceptable as long as it clearly maps to headings etc in NMRN documents.
15	<p>Could you please confirm what information is to be submitted as per Stage 1 and 2 as highlighted in the Evaluation Criteria section of the ITT document:</p> <p>Stage 1: <i>Tender responses will be checked to ensure that they have been completed correctly and all necessary information has been provided. Tender responses correctly completed with all relevant information being provided will proceed to Stage 2. Any tender</i></p>	<p>ALL required information laid out in the ITT must be present for Stage 1.</p> <p>Stage 1 essentially involves weeding out non-compliant applications.</p> <p>Stage 2 is for comparison of compliant tenders</p>

	<p><i>responses not correctly completed in accordance with the requirements of this ITT and/or containing omissions will be rejected at this point. Where a tender response is rejected at this point it will automatically be disqualified and will not be further evaluated.</i></p> <p>Stage 2: <i>If a bidder succeeds in passing Stage 1 of the evaluation, then it will have its detailed tender response to the NMRN's requirements evaluated in accordance with the evaluation methodology set out below.</i></p>	
16	Has there been any other questions raised by prospective tenderers? If so, would it be possible to see these Q&As please?	Where appropriate Q&As from other tenderers will be posted as clarifications on Contracts Finder before the end of the week.

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