English Housing Survey

Pre-Market Engagement

Hello,

Thank you for participating in the recent pre-market, on-line event for the re-tender of the English Housing Survey Contract.

MHCLG is keen to obtain further feedback on the issues set out below.

1. Social Value

From the social value policy themes set out the Quick Reference Table (https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_dat a/file/940828/Social-Value-Model-Quick-Reference-Table-Edn-1.1-3-Dec-20.pdf), we are intending to focus on the following policy areas as the most relevant to the procurement and could be delivered during under the contract:

- 2.2 Employment
- 2.3 Education and training
- 3.4 Collaboration throughout the supply chain;
- 4.2 Influence environmental protection and improvement

Could you please indicate whether you agree with this assessment and, if not, which policy theme(s) you would propose as an alternative. In the event that we do not receive any feedback to the contrary, we are proposing to proceed with these policy themes.

2. <u>Modern Slavery¹</u>

We intend to include clauses in the Contract Terms and Conditions setting out a commitment to mitigate and manage the risk of modern slavery.

- Can you confirm that you can introduce robust policies and practices to mitigate and manage modern slavery risk?
- Can you publish a Mandatory or Voluntary modern slavery statement which contains the steps you take to prevent modern slavery in supply chains and your own business?
- 3. Indexation

Do you have any views on whether annual indexation should be applied to the prices provided and, if so, and how and which indexation should be applied? Do you have a view on which index any such rises should be applied to?

¹ https://www.gov.uk/guidance/publish-an-annual-modern-slavery-statement

4. <u>Carbon Reduction Plan</u>

We are proposing to include a requirement in the Specification for the successful Supplier to produce a Carbon Reduction Plan within the first quarter following Contract commencement. Can you please provide your comments/feedback on this approach?

We would be grateful if you could provide your comments/feedback on the points set out above no later than Friday 16 July 2021.

THE FOLLOWING IS ALSO PROVIDED FOR INFORMATION ONLY

Please note that during the Contract term it will be MHCLG's right to amend the scope of the requirements, or break the Contract in accordance with its terms and conditions, in the event of a reduction in the funding provided for the English Housing Survey.