

**EVALUATION OF
TRANSFORMING ARCHIVES: BRIDGING THE DIGITAL GAP**

DEADLINE FOR TENDER RESPONSES: 24 MAY 2018

CLARIFICATION QUESTIONS AND RESPONSES

The National Archives has received a number of clarification questions relating to the above opportunity. The questions and their associated responses can be found below.

Q1: I would appreciate some clarification on the timescales for the requirement, in order to see whether we would be an appropriate partner for you. Could you clarify why it is presumed that the project will take 3.5 years to complete? (the document states that the programme of work should be delivered (along with the 24 associated resources), by early 2022).

A1: Bridging the Digital Gap is currently in the project set up stage, the first trainees will be recruited in the summer to begin work in October. These trainees will be the first of three cohorts, recruited yearly, with the last group finishing in January 2022. Bridging the Digital Gap is separate from the previous Transforming Archives trainee programme which finished in 2017. The evaluator will need to be in place to collect data from the first recruitment of the trainees onwards. We see their role as light touch through much of the project but we hope to be in regular communication with the evaluator to allow for iterative improvements across the project and to ensure that data is being collected as appropriate.