Cultural Service Benefit Indicators - Clarifying questions and responses

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## Q: Please confirm the budget for the project, and if it is inclusive or exclusive of VAT

A: The budget for this project is £49,999 exclusive of VAT.

## Q:Is the contract open competition?

A: Yes the contract is open competition.

## Q: Is there flexibility to agree an alternative payment schedule?

A: NE will consider and agree the payment schedule with the winning bidder. Bidders can include an alternative schedule in their quote however this would be purely for information. This is not part of the evaluation criteria and will not affect the scoring of the bid. Including an alternative schedule in the winning bid would not indicate NE acceptance of the alternative schedule; this must be discussed post-evaluation during the contract drafting.