

Bid Pack for Call-Off Competition

Attachment 2 – How to Bid Including Evaluation Criteria

Contract Reference: DCfH Call Off Mini Competition – [Insert

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1. How to Make Your Bid

1.1. Your bid must be made by the organisation that will be responsible for providing the deliverables if your bid is successful.

1.2. Remember to:

- 1.2.1. Decline this Bid Pack if you do not wish to submit a response. If you Decline please provide a reason for doing so
- 1.2.2. Enter your bid into the e-Sourcing Suite. We can only accept bids that we receive through the e-Sourcing Suite
- 1.2.3. Make sure you answer every question
- 1.2.4. Each question must be answered in its own right. You must not answer any of the questions by cross referencing other questions or other materials e.g. reports located on your website.
- 1.2.5. Submit your bid in good time and before the bid submission deadline.
- 1.2.6. Upload ONLY those attachments we have asked for in line with the requirements specified – any other supporting evidence, certificates for example, will be requested separately by us.
- 1.2.7. If we **do not** require attachments and have specified this please only use the Text Boxes provided for your answer.
- 1.2.8. Check for messages in the e-Sourcing Suite throughout the competition.
- 1.2.9. Press the **Submit Response** button when your bid is ready, otherwise we will not be able to see it.
- 1.2.10. If you are unsure, ask questions before the Clarification Questions Deadline.

2. How The Evaluation Envelopes Are Structured:

A summary of all the questions in the evaluation, along with the marking scheme, and weightings for each question is set out below:

QUALIFICATION ENVELOPE

Question	Title	Scoring
Q1	Key Participation Requirements	Pass/ Fail
Q2	Conflicts of Interest	Pass/ Fail
Q3	Information Only	Information Only
Q4	Case Study	Pass/ Fail

TECHNICAL ENVELOPE

WEIGHTING 60%

Question	Title	Overall Questionnaire weighting
T2	T2 Approach to Delivery	
T2.8	Demonstrating Understanding of the Variety of Buyer Demands	20%
T3	T3 Ability to Mobilise / Flex the Team	
T3.1	Mobilising Capability and Capacity rapidly and effectively	10%
T4	T4 Quality of the Team	
T4.1	Quality of the Proposed Delivery Team	10%
T6	T6 Initial Statement/s of Work	
T6.1	Initial Statement of Work 01, 02, 03	10%
T7	Social Value (minimum 10% overall questionnaire weighting)	
7.1	MAC 1.2 Supporting people and community	10%

COMMERCIAL ENVELOPE

WEIGHTING 40%

Question	Title	Overall
		Questionnaire
		weighting
C1	Call Off Specific Rate Card	32%
C2	Initial Statement(s) of Work	8%

QUALIFICATION ENVELOPE

2.3. QUALIFICATION – Q1 - KEY PARTICIPATION REQUIREMENTS

Response Guidance

The following questions are 'Pass/Fail' questions. If Potential Bidders are unwilling or unable to answer "Yes", their submission will be deemed non-compliant and shall be rejected. Potential Bidders should confirm their answer by selecting the appropriate option from the drop down menu.

Question Number	Question F	
1.1	1.1 Do you accept the competition rules as described in Attachment 1 – About the Procurement?	
1.2	Have you read, understood and accepted the Bid Pack and all associated attachments, specifically Attachment 4h – Call-Off Schedule 20 – Call – Off Specification? and Attachment 3 Price Schedule?	
1.3	Do you agree, without caveats or limitations, that in the event that you are successful, Attachment 4 - Terms and Conditions will govern the provision of this contract?	
1.4	1.4 Do you confirm your Organisation's e-Sourcing suite profile is complete and accurate at the time the bid closed and that any amendments made following acceptance of this event will be notified to the buyer in writing?	
Please confirm that you and all key sub-contractors hold a current Cyber Essentials plus certificate and that you will provide a copy within one week of contract award should your bid be successful?		Yes/No

1.6	Please confirm that you accept the Buyer's Mandatory Policies as set out in Framework Schedule 6A (Health Order Form Template, Statement of Work Template and Call-Off Schedules).	Yes/No
1.7	Do you accept that the Contracting Authority reserve the right to exclude you at contract award where your financial stability is deemed to be a risk – a Dunn and Bradstreet report will be obtained which MUST reflect an acceptable score, in the absence of a Dunn and Bradstreet report the contracting Authority will require financial details to support in house assessments.	Yes/No

2.4. QUALIFICATION – Q2 – CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Response Guidance

Question 2.1 is a 'Yes/No' question and will dictate whether or not question 2.2 needs to be answered.

Question 2.2 is a Pass / Fail question. Potential Bidders are required to provide details of how the identified conflict will be mitigated.

The Contracting Authority will review the mitigation in line with the perceived conflict of interest, to determine what level of risk this poses to them. Therefore, if Potential Bidders cannot or are unwilling to suitably demonstrate that they have suitable safeguards to mitigate any risk then their Bid will be deemed non-compliant and will be rejected.

Question Number	Question	Your Response
2.1	Please confirm whether you have any potential, actual or perceived conflicts of interest that may by relevant to this requirement.	Yes/No
2.2	We require that any potential, actual or perceived conflicts of interest in respect of this Bid Pack are identified in writing and that companies outline what safeguards would be put in place to mitigate the risk of actual or perceived conflicts arising during the delivery of these services.	Text Box

2.5. QUALIFICATION – Q3 – INFORMATION ONLY

Response Guidance

The following questions are for information only and do not form part of the evaluation. Information provided in response to these questions may be used in preparation of any Contract Award and any omissions may delay completion of this procurement.

Question Number		
3.1	Please provide details of where the Award Outcome should be directed. Your response must include their; • Full Name • Role/Title • Registered Address • Email Address	Text Box
3.2	Please provide details of any key sub-contractors you propose to use in order to meet your obligations should you be awarded a Contract. The Bidder must complete Attachment 2 Annex A	Attachment

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2.6. QUALIFICATION – Q4 – CASE STUDY

Response Guidance

The following questions are 'Pass/Fail' questions. If Potential Bidders are unwilling or unable to answer "Yes", their submission will be deemed non-compliant and shall be rejected. Potential Bidders should confirm their answer by selecting the appropriate option from the drop down menu.

The case study **must** address all the following guidance bullets.

- 1. The example must clearly and unambiguously fall within the scope of this specific requirement in terms of Service and involve similar technologies and digital skills. (This should be a product development case study in healthcare, preferably in the Urgent and Emergency Care sector specifically covering the data analytics and ITK2/FHIR interoperability. SNOMED CT Coding would also be beneficial).
- 2. The example must clearly identify the knowledge transfer opportunities from the case study to this Call Off Contract. This knowledge transfer may take the form of people, processes and/or systems.
- 3. The case study should clearly set out the delivered changes and outcomes only focussing on those that are likely to be most comparable to the published Schedule 20.
- 4. The case study should clearly set out the key challenges and how they were overcome only focussing on those that are likely to be most comparable to the published Schedule 20.
- 5. A statement should be provided as to whether this is a public sector or private sector example.
- 6. A statement should be provided as to whether the case study was delivered by the Bidder or an approved sub-contractor. Where Bidders use a sub-contractor case study, they should set out the nature of the relationship between the Bidder and the sub-contractor at the time the stated contract was performed and currently.
- 7. A statement as to the indicative contract value (which must be in excess of £1m) and the contract period this relates to.
- 8. A statement confirming the contract example was performed in the past 3 years.
- 9. Where a Bidder uses an Authority case study, a statement should be provided that the Bidder will maintain Ethical Walls.

Bidders are notified that this is a pass/fail question and Bidders must receive a Pass to this question as part of the Qualification Envelope assessment to proceed to the next stage of tender assessment.

Bidders are notified that this is a pass/fail question which will not be taken into account for scoring purposes.

Bidders should note that there is no prescribed template that needs to be completed for this question.

Question Number		Your Response
4.1	Number	
4.2 Please attach your Case Study. For the avoidance of doubt, the total number of pages must not exceed 3 A4 pages.		Attachment

TECHNICAL ENVELOPE

Weighting 60%

T2 - Approach to Delivery

WEIGHTING 20%

Response Guidance

Potential Bidders MUST answer ALL the following questions. The method of response; page limit on attachments and evaluation criteria is set per question.

Unless otherwise specified, you must upload your response as attachments.

It is requested that attachments are submitted in Microsoft Word or Excel format and must be in Arial font size 11. Page limits include the use of headers footers and diagrams. Upload ONLY those attachments we have asked for – any other supporting evidence, certificates for example, will be requested separately by us

Question Number	Question	Your Response	Minimum Acceptable Score	Maximum Available Score	Weighting
T2.8	Demonstrating Understanding of the Variety of Buyer Demands We are seeking a strategic partner for three distinct parts in the UEC sub directorate. Set out below: 1. Existing products that are being transitioned into later phases of delivery and implementation. 2. New initiative: Patient Encounter History (which is undergoing discovery) 3. New initiative: UEC standards (exploratory at this point) Responses should include, but are not limited to: 1. Working in a complex healthcare space, the accumulating domain knowledge is important, therefore the bidder is required to keep a stable selection of individuals assigned to projects and minimise change of individuals. Please explain how this will be achieved. 2. These are complex and evolving projects being done in an agile manner, as needs emerge resourcing on projects (roles, number of individuals) teams may need to	Attachment – 2 sides of A4 in Arial 11 plus one side of diagrams which must be legible at A4 print size	50	100	20%

change accordingly. Please detail		
what approach may be taken to		
respond to these changes.		
3. Complex projects often have lots of		
activity and little progress made.		
Please demonstrate how you would		
avoid this scenario and how you		
effectively apply the agile framework		
to prevent inertia.		
4. What routine practices do you put		
in place for knowledge sharing, both		
internally and with your customers.		
5. Detail how you would take		
responsibility for knowledge transfer if		
and when individuals need to change.		

T3 - Ability to Mobilise the Team

WEIGHTING 10%

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Question Number	Question	Your Response	Minimum Acceptable Score	Maximum Available Score	Weighting
T3.1	Mobilising Capability and Capacity rapidly and effectively With reference to Call-Off requirements, please clearly demonstrate how you will ensure that you are able to mobilise capability and capacity rapidly and effectively to commence, continue and stop work on the Call-Off Contract. Responses should include, but are not limited to: 1. Your ability to ensure that sufficient personnel, with the required levels of expertise, experience, and seniority, will always be available to provide Services at short notice. 2. How you continuously incentivise and develop through effective	Attachment – Max 2 sides of A4 in Arial 11 plus one side of diagrams which must be legible at A4 print size	50	100	10%

	recruitment, training, and retention policies and what you will do to upskill to meet specific technical requirements highlighting the investments you make		
	in this area.		
3.	How your response to the capability and capacity matrix in Attachment 3		
	Pricing Schedule, fits with the requested services.		
4.	Your process for mobilising your internal resources and / or your existing supply chain resources and ensuring the cascading of the Call-off Terms and		
5.	Conditions. How you will bring in other niche suppliers/subject matter experts where the need arises and provide a clear rationale on what fits		
6.	into this category. The arrangements you have to provide access to lower cost country offshore resource with reference to any optional rate cards provided with Attachment 3 Pricing Matrix and referencing the requirements in Framework Schedule 1 Specification.		

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T4 - Quality of the Team

WEIGHTING 10%

Response Guidance

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Question Number	Question	Your Response	Minimum Acceptable Score	Maximum Available Score	Weighting
T4.1	Quality of the Proposed Delivery Team The Bidder is required to evidence the quality of the proposed team, especially those holding Key Roles, and how their combined experience will deliver the requested Services. Responses should include, but are not limited to: 1. Names for individuals proposed to hold key roles. 2. Concise profiles of key individuals, briefly explaining how their backgrounds (including the organisation they are working for) are relevant to the Services being provided. 3. Clear demonstration that at least some of these key individuals have actively	Attachment – Max 2 sides of A4 in Arial 11 plus one side of diagrams which must be legible at A4 print size	50	100	10%

participated in preparing your response to this ITT. 4. Statement/s as to how they will bring the knowledge and experience of the supplied Case Study (Qualification Question 8.1) to execution of the
Services. 5. Particular focus on the individual who will be leading Service Delivery on behalf of the Bidder. 6. The availability of the team to mobilise within appropriate timescales to deliver the services (underpinned by some form of mobilisation plan).
The Bidder accepts that evaluation of the quality of the Proposed Delivery Team will be based on the overall response to this question rather than whether the Bidder has responded to each of the elements well.

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T6 - Initial Statement(s) of Work

WEIGHTING 10%

Response Guidance

Potential Bidders MUST answer ALL the following questions. The method of response; page limit on attachments and evaluation criteria is set per question.

Unless otherwise specified, you must upload your response as attachments.

Please note that we have provided the high level indicative HMRC IR35 determination per SOW and this is headed 'Attachment 2 Annex B'.

It is requested that attachments are submitted in Microsoft Word or Excel format and must be in Arial font size 11. Page limits include the use of headers footers and diagrams. Upload ONLY those attachments we have asked for – any other supporting evidence, certificates for example, will be requested separately by us

Question Number	Question	Your Response	Minimum Acceptable Score	Maximum Available Score	Weighting
T6.1	Initial Statement of Work 01, 02, 03 With reference to the first Statement of Work included as part of Framework Schedule 6A: Health Order Form, the Bidder is required to provide an overview of how it brings all of the relevant elements of its proposal together in order to deliver the first Statement of Work.	Attachment – 2 sides of A4 in Arial 11 plus one side of diagrams which must be legible at A4 print size	50	100	10%

The Bidder should include:	
 The Bidder's overall approach to the Statement of Work. An explanation of how the Bidder believes the Statement of Work fits within the context of the wider Call-Off; 	
3. An explanation of the team the Bidder is proposing to deploy on the Statement of Work; 4. Outline timescales / plans on	
how the team will be deployed; 5. What challenges and opportunities it sees with regard to the delivery of the Statement of Work;	
6. What assumptions (priced as appropriate within the Commercial envelope), the Bidder has made in regard to the rest of this response.	

WEIGHTING 10%

T7 - Social Value

Response Guidance

Potential Bidders MUST answer ALL the following questions. The method of response; page limit on attachments and evaluation criteria is set per question.

Unless otherwise specified, you must upload your response as attachments.

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Bidders, should refer to <u>Procurement Policy Note 06/20</u> – taking account of social value in the award of central government contracts for further Information.

Please include:

- credible 'Method Statement', stating how you will achieve this Policy Outcome;
- evidence of your commitment to meet the Award Criteria, (such as policy, public corporate statement);
- evidence showing the metrics you have/will implement in support of the Policy Outcome;
- a timed action plan showing how and when these metrics will be implemented within 2 years from contract award, and also what will be in place within 6 months of a contract award;
- how you will monitor, measure, report and feedback on your commitments to this Policy
 Outcome in a transparent manner;
- how you will influence staff, suppliers, customers and communities through the delivery of the contract to support the Policy Outcome, e.g. engagement, co-design/creation, training and education, partnering/collaborating, volunteering.

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7.1	Supporting People and	Attachment – 3 sides of	0	100	10%
	Theme COVID-19 Recovery MAC 1.2; Policy Outcome - Supporting people and community recovery Using no more than 3 A4 pages, describe the commitment your organisation will make to ensure that	A4 in Arial 11 plus one side of diagrams which must be legible at A4 print size			
	opportunities under the contract deliver support for people and communities to help manage and recover from the impacts of COVID-19, including those worst affected or who are shielding the Policy Outcome and Award Criteria.				
	Responses should include, but are not limited to:				
	Activities that demonstrate and describe the bidder's existing or planned:				
	Understanding of local demographics, needs and opportunities, especially in the context of COVID-19, including those worst affected or who are shielding.				
	Methods for engaging with people and different parts of the community (including the education system) and how community voice will inform decisions, the strategy, and projects.				
	• Involvement of local stakeholders and users in design (e.g. design of services, systems, products or buildings), or community-led initiatives. Illustrative examples: including improving transport links; reducing crime; reducing homelessness, poverty, and hunger; reducing loneliness; helping with English language proficiency; and helping meaningful social mixing among people with different backgrounds.				

- Flexibility in responsiveness and ability to adapt in approach to the results of any community consultation or engagement.
- Efforts to gain credibility and make relationships to influence and make change within the local area.
- Activities taken to raise awareness of or take action to deliver the outcome based on the understanding of the identified community's needs. Illustrative examples: raising awareness (staff, suppliers or community) of how to operate or use services safely; plans for positive actions with people and community groups; improving transport links; reducing crime, reducing homelessness, poverty and hunger; reducing loneliness; helping with English language proficiency; making facilities used in the delivery of the contract available for community groups, education or training; access to community hubs (i.e. community centres, cultural venues, parks, libraries); employee volunteering schemes applicable to the contract workforce.

COMMERCIAL ENVELOPE

Weighting 40%

COMMERCIAL - Costs

Response Guidance

Bidders should review the instructions within the pricing template and complete Attachment 3 - Price Schedule then upload into the e-Sourcing event.

Prices should be submitted in pounds Sterling inclusive of any expenses but exclusive of VAT.

When detailing any pricing conditions/ assumptions, Bidders must ensure they are sufficiently detailed and meaningful. The Buyer may determine, after reviewing the pricing conditions/ assumptions, that the Bidders pricing submission requires normalisation and thus update the submitted pricing return.

Question Number	Question	Your Response	Minimum Acceptable Score	Maximum Available Score	Weighting
C1	Rate Card	Attachment	N/A	100	32%
	Please attach a completed Price Schedule in response to this question In so doing, you are also confirming that prices offered are inclusive of any expenses, exclusive of VAT and firm for the period following the Deadline for Submission as stated in the Attachment 1 – About the Procurement.				
	This line will evaluate your costs for the Rate card element (C1 Rate Score within the Summary Worksheet) of the schedule only. All assumptions and pricing conditions should be detailed.				
C2	Costs for the SOW	Text Box	N/A	100	8%
	Please enter your total cost for delivery for the services as outlined in your attached price schedule in 'weighted price C2' (cell I36) of the				

summary tab.		
This line will evaluate your costs		
for the SOW element (C2 SOW		
Score within the Summary		
Worksheet) of your submission. All		
assumptions and pricing		
conditions should be detailed. This		
includes any desking		
requirements at the BUYERS		
location.		

2. Award Criteria

The award stage consists of a Qualification, Technical and Commercial evaluation.

The award of the resultant contract will be on the basis of the 'Most Economically Advantageous Tender' (MEAT).

Award process - What you need to do

- 2.3.1. Answer the questions in section 2 above in the e-Sourcing suite.
- 2.3.2. Complete the Attachment 3 Price Schedule
- 2.3.3. You must upload your completed Price Schedule into the e-Sourcing suite in the Commercial Envelope.

What we will do

QUALIFICATION evaluation (Compliance Check)

First, we will complete a mandatory evaluation to make sure that you have answered all questions and have completed the Attachment 3 - Price Schedule in line with our instructions. All bids passing the mandatory evaluation will be progressed to the Technical Evaluation.

TECHNICAL Evaluation

We will give your responses to the TECHNICAL questions to the Contracting Authority's evaluation panel. Each evaluator will independently assess your responses to the technical questions using the response guidance and the evaluation criteria.

They will give a score and a reason for their score for each question they are assessing. The evaluators will enter the scores and reasons into the e-Sourcing suite.

If the evaluation panel wishes to clarify any areas of your bid, bid clarification questions will be issued via the e-Sourcing suite on an individual basis.

Consensus

Once the evaluators have independently assessed your answers to the questions, we will arrange for the evaluators to meet. We will facilitate the discussion.

At this meeting, the evaluators will discuss the technical responses and review their scores and reasons for that score. The discussion will continue until they reach a consensus regarding the score, and reason for that score, for each question.

These final scores will be used to calculate your technical score.

If the evaluation panel wishes to clarify any areas of your bid, bid clarification questions will be issued via the e-sourcing suite on an individual basis.

TECHNICAL Threshold

If you have not met the minimum acceptable score for each question, you will be excluded from the competition and you will not receive a Commercial score. We will tell you that you have been excluded from the procurement and why at award stage.

The Social Value score will not lead to exclusion from the competition if it does not meet the minimum threshold.

COMMERCIAL Evaluation

We will consider your commercial response and conduct compliance checks, review for abnormal bids and conduct any clarifications required to formally evaluate your submission. This will be conducted in tandem with the technical evaluations and completed by a commercial evaluation panel.

We will only calculate your commercial score using the scoring mechanism outlined within the Bid Pack. However, if you failed to meet the minimum acceptable score during the technical evaluation you will not receive a score for the Commercial Envelope.

If we wish to clarify any areas of your bid, bid clarification questions will be issued via the e-sourcing suite on an individual basis.

Final Score

Your technical score will be added to your commercial score, to create your final score.

Award

Award will be made to the successful bidder, subject to contract and provision of certification.

Where the parties fail to enter into a contract and/or provision of certification is not made, the Contracting Authority reserve the right to enter into contract with the second placed bidder.

We will notify successful and unsuccessful bidder(s) providing feedback via the e-sourcing suite.

In some cases we may include a standstill period in which case the successful bidder(s) will be issued an Intention to Award letter with all Bidders notified of the intended outcome.

3. Marking Scheme

The evaluation criteria set out below will be used during the Technical Evaluation:

4. Marking Scheme	Description
100 - Excellent	An Excellent comprehensive response that is specific and direct on how it meets the requirements. Indicates an excellent response with detailed supporting evidence and no weaknesses resulting in a high level of confidence.
75 – Good	A Good response that meets the requirements with good supporting evidence. Demonstrates good understanding.
50 – Meets the Requirement	Meets the requirements – the response generally meets the requirements but lacks sufficient detail to warrant a higher mark.
25 – Poor Response	A Poor response with reservations. The response lacks convincing detail with risk that the proposal will not be successful in meeting all the requirements.

0 - Unsuitable	Failed to provide confidence that the proposal will meet the					
	requirements. An unacceptable response with serious reservations.					
	Teset valions.					

5. Qualification Envelope Evaluation

Questions 1 and 2 and 4 are mandatory question(s) and will be evaluated PASS / FAIL. If you fail any of these questions, you will be excluded from the competition. We will tell you that your bid has been excluded.

6. Technical Envelope Evaluation

When the consensus meeting has taken place and the final score for each question has been agreed by the evaluators, your final score for each question will be multiplied by that question's weighting to calculate your weighted score for that question.

Each weighted score for each question will then be added together to calculate your technical score.

Please see table A below for an example of how your technical score will be calculated, please note that this table is for illustrative purposes only and does not necessarily reflect the questions and weightings being used to run this procurement. All figures used at evaluation shall be rounded to one decimal place.

Table A - EXAMPLE ONLY

			Bidder A		Bidder B			Bidder C				
Questionnaire	Questionnaire Weighting	Ouestion	Question Weighting	Consensus Score (Max 100)		_	Consensus Score (Max 100)		Weighted Questionnaire Score	Consensus Score (Max 100)		
4. Service Delivery	40%	4.1	50%	100	50		75	37.5		75	37.5	
4. Service Delivery	40/0	4.2	50%	75	37.5	35.00	75	37.5	30.00	50	25	25.00
Questionnaire 4 Totals					87.5			75			62.5	
5. Account Management	30%	5.1	75%	50	37.5		75	56.25		50	37.5	
5. Account Management	30%	5.2	25%	100	25	18.75	50	12.5	20.63	50	12.5	15.00
Questionnaire 5 Totals					62.5			68.75			50	
Quality Total Score						53.75			50.63			40.00

7. Commercial Envelope Evaluation

This section contains information on how to complete Attachment 3 - Price Schedule and the commercial evaluation process.

How to complete your Attachment 3 – Price Schedule

- 7.2.1. Read and understand the instructions in the Attachment 3 Price Schedule, and in this section before submitting your prices.
- 7.2.2. Your prices should compare with your Technical submission.
- 7.2.3. Your prices must be sustainable and inclusive of all costs for example your operating costs and profit.
- 7.2.4. Your prices are to exclude VAT.
- 7.2.5. The currency is British pounds sterling, up to two decimal places.
- 7.2.6. The percentages submitted shall be up to one decimal places.
- 7.2.7. Pricing will be based on:
- 7.2.8. Eight (8) hour Working Day (excluding breaks);
- 7.2.9. We will investigate where we consider your bid to be abnormal.
- 7.2.10. The prices submitted shall not exceed any existing commercial agreement rates.
- 7.2.11. You must download and complete the Attachment 3 Price Schedule. Further detail may be provided within the Attachment 3 Price Schedule.
- 7.2.12. When you have completed your Attachment 3 Price Schedule, you must upload this into the e-Sourcing Suite in the Commercial Envelope. If you do not upload your Attachment 3 Price Schedule your bid may be rejected from this competition.
- 7.2.13. Do not alter, amend or change the format or layout of the Attachment 3 Price Schedule.

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Commercial Evaluation Process

- 7.3.1. Commercial scores shall be calculated using pricing submitted as part of a compliant bid only and using the following process:
- 7.3.2. We will check you have completed the Attachment 3 Price Schedule as instructed.
- 7.3.3. Failure to complete the Attachment 3 Price Schedule as instructed may result in your bid being deemed non-compliant and it may be rejected from this competition.
- 7.3.4. The commercial evaluation will be undertaken separately to the technical evaluation process.
- 7.3.5. The commercial evaluation will be undertaken against each pricing tab/question detailed within Attachment 3 Price Schedule.
- 7.3.6. The Bidder with the lowest price for each question will be awarded the maximum score available for that question.
- 7.3.7. All other Bidders will get a score relative to the lowest total price for that question, calculated using the formula below;
- [Score] = (([Lowest Evaluated Price] * [Scaler]) [Evaluated Price]) * 100 ([Scaler] – 1) * [Lowest Evaluated Price]
 - 7.3.8. Where, for the purposes of the competitions under this framework, the [Scaler] = 2.
 - 7.3.9. The scaler has the effect of ensuring that there is no bid more than double the [Lowest Evaluated Price] (not expected under this framework).
 - 7.3.10. In the unlikely event that there is a bid of more than double the [Lowest Evaluated Price], resulting in theory in a negative score the score will be set to zero.

- 7.3.11. As noted in Appendix 1 there are various inputs to the price evaluation, but ultimately they result in two separately evaluated components:
 - C1 Call-Off Specific Rate Cards (and contributors to this) Rate based; and
 - C2 Initial Statement/s of Work Cost based
- 7.3.12. Since the first is rate based and the second is cost based each of these will be scored separately within the commercial model from 1 to 100 and the scores combined, using the relative weighting of rates to costs to arrive at a cumulative score.
- 7.3.13. This allows for Bidders to potentially have higher rates but be able to deliver SOWs at potentially lower costs as a result of higher quality / greater productivity within the submitted teams.
- 7.3.14. The calculation of each of these components will be based on the same underlying model.
- 7.3.15. Once all question scores have been calculated, they will be added together and multiplied by the Commercial Envelope weighting to identify your Total Commercial Weighted Score.
- 7.3.16. Please see table B below for an example of how your commercial score will be calculated, please note that this table is for illustrative purposes only and does not necessarily reflect the questions and weightings being used to run this procurement.

Table B - EXAMPLE ONLY

				Bidder A				Bidder B				Bidder C			
Commercial Envelope	Envelope Weighting	Question	Question Weighting	Bid Submitted	Lowest Bid Submitted	Score	Weighted Question Score	Bid Submitted	Lowest Bid Submitted	Score	Weighted Question Score	Bid Submitted	Lowest Bid Submitted	Score	Weighted Question Score
7. Costs	100%	7.1	100%	£217,000.00	£217,000.00	100.00	100.00	£432,000.00	£217,000.00	50.23	50.23	£542,000.00	£217,000.00	40.04	40.04
Commercial Envelope Total							100.00				50.23				40.04
Commercial Envelope Weighted Total @ 40%							40.00				20.09				16.01

7.3.17. Where we consider any of the total price(s) you have submitted to be abnormally low, we will ask you to explain the price(s) you have submitted (as required in regulation 69 of the Public Contracts Regulations 2015).

8. Final Decision to Award

We will add your technical score to your commercial score to calculate your final score, all percentage scores shall be rounded to one decimal place.

Where the final score achieved by multiple Bidders ranks them in equal position and all such Bidders have achieved the Minimum Pass Mark or higher in all questions, the Bidder with the highest score for the Commercial Envelope will be deemed the winner and awarded the Contract.

Please see table C below for an example of how your technical score and commercial score will be added together to identify your final score. Please note that this table is for illustrative purposes only and does not necessarily reflect the questions and weightings being used to run this procurement.

Table C – EXAMPLE ONLY:

		Bidder A	Bidder B	Bidder C
Envelope	Envelope Weighting	Total Weighted Score	Total Weighted Score	Total Weighted Score
Technical	60%	48.78	33.41	52.25
Commercial	40%	40.00	20.09	16.01
Total Bid Score	100%	88.78	53.50	68.26
Rank		1	3	2

The bidder with the highest final score, where the bid is deemed compliant, will be awarded the contract, where approved by the Contracting Authority. However, if this is a 2 Stage Evaluation the final scores up to this point will act as a gateway to Stage 2 as outlined in "What we will do".

9. Further Information

All communications will be conducted via the e-sourcing suite, including notification of outcome.

The conclusion of a contract is subject to the provision of due 'certificates, statements and other means of proof' where Potential Bidders have, to this point, relied on self-certification.

































