

EYFS WEBINAR Q&A

Will there be further tendering announcements? I'm particularly referring to a tender around training for the sector?

We are currently undertaking user research in the sector to inform any training offer we provide. Further information about this will be available once we have the findings from the research.

Are the webinars and exemplification videos a separate tender to the LA events?

Yes – video exemplification and an accompanying webinar will be produced as a single lot, separate to the planned local authority events (however, the same supplier would be able to bid for both opportunities.)

Are there three separate parts to the tender each less than 122k? Are suppliers bidding for one or all?

For exemplification materials – we expect that each of the two proposed lots (Lot 1 – Assessment expertise; Lot 2 – Practitioner expertise) will value under £122,000 each. The local authority events will be procured separately to the exemplification materials, it is also expected that this opportunity will value under £122,000. A single supplier may bid for either opportunity, including one or both of the exemplification material lots.

Who will have the final say on the 'pitch' of the ELGs?

The early learning goals and consultation were not in scope for discussion in this session.

Can you clarify the regions for the LA events. You said 8? Can the ITT response propose how these are determined, or do you wish to specify 8 of 9 regions?

The main aim is to ensure there is good coverage across England so that LAs can attend an event close to them, happy for bidders to suggest locations.

How will the 8-9 exemplary schools for the videos be chosen. Are schools able to apply for this?

We currently plan to invite schools that have taken part in the Early Years Foundation Stage Profile Pilot to feature in the video exemplification materials.

What will happen to the video and webinar materials once produced? Will the supplier need / be able to host them on their own web platforms?

Video exemplification materials and webinars will be hosted on gov.uk via the Department's YouTube channel. They will not need to be hosted on the supplier's website.

Intellectual Property will be owned by the Department for Education via an Open Government License.

In relation to reimbursing travel costs, does this relate to LA attendees or just speakers? Does the value of the tender cover this?

The travel costs relate to LA attendees. We would expect the supplier to process the claims and make the payments, and we would pay an admin fee for this within the contract value. The supplier will then be expected to claim back from the DfE the actual costs of T&S claims made, this will be separate to the contract value.

Does the cost of the speakers come out of the total tender value?

No, we will contract with the speakers separately

Are you anticipating up to 3 different suppliers for the different lots?

A single supplier may bid for either opportunity (local authority events and / or exemplification materials), including one or both of the exemplification material lots.

When do you anticipate that you will release further tenders for the PVI sector?

Decisions around how that training will be delivered are still to be made and further information will be provided as soon as it is available.

Are you able to share details of participants on this call?

We are unable to share a list of details due to GDPR, however we plan to email everyone who attended the webinar to ask if anyone would like to "opt in" to having their details shared and also to receive details of others who choose to opt in.

Can you give us more information on how we may apply to deliver training to schools - exemplifications and EYFS profile and new development matters?

We do not currently have any plans to issue invitations to tender for training directly to schools other than our plans for early adopters discussed today.