**Contextual Safeguarding Clarification Questions & Responses**

**1, Can you confirm whether TUPE applies to this tender.**

No TUPE does not apply.

**2, From the specification, what is expected by the provider regarding academic outputs?
Dissemination of learning resources, including videos, briefings, and academic outputs**

Providers are required to specify within their responses proposed outputs that will ensure good dissemination of learning across London, and how their proposal will add to the understanding of contextual safeguarding and culturally sensitive practice. As a minimum, we would expect;
- End of project report, summarising delivery, and learning
- Learning webinar(s) with key partners
- Learning materials, such as a video or toolkits.

**3, As there is TUPE, and this is also a pilot contract, please could you clarify the name of the provider the TUPE stems from?**

TUPE does not apply.

**4, As per the indicative timeline, please can the commissioner confirm expectations relating to contract mobilisation given the short turnaround between award notification and start date?**

We recognise that a period of mobilisation will be required, Providers are required to submit a high-level delivery plan, please reflect in this plan your steps for mobilisation.

**5, ‘25.3 In the event that the Provider does not hold current accreditation for ISO27001/2, then the Provider commits to achieving the ISO27001/2 standard within twelve (12) months of the start date of the Contract.’

If we cannot commit to achieving it within 12 months. Does this rule us out from applying?**

The VRU accepts other equivalent information security standards.

**6, Given that it is the school holidays, and a whole-school approach will require high level commitment from schools, we feel the timeline for obtaining written support from schools prior to bidding would be unrealistic for Providers. Please can the Commissioners share the level and type of commitment required for the Question 2- 'As an appendix, written support from education settings', given education staff are likely to be on leave over the coming weeks?**

If you are unable to attached written confirmation from participating schools in your proposal, please detail how this will be obtained within your response, and how schools will be prioritised.

**7, Please can we update Clause 24.1 (Intellectual Property Rights) to reflect that all IP remains with the service Provider and that the Provider grants a perpetual, irrevocable, royalty-free, and non-transferable licence free of charge to Intellectual Property prepared or developed by or on behalf of the Provider in the Provision of the Services. “**

Clause 24 applies to Foreground Intellectual property only. Any IP for existing work remains with the service provider.

**8, Please can you confirm if partner / subcontractor costs should be added as an annual budget within tab 2 of the attached document rather than being broken down by financial year as in tabs 1 and 3? We will be breaking down the costs by financial year costs as lead on the project.**

Please complete all costs for the main and for subcontractors.