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# Regreening the KCIII England Coast Path – Tees Estuary

Clarifying Questions and Responses.

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**Clarification Questions received and responses.**

Q1: We note that you have mentioned the contract will be awarded for a period of eight weeks to end no later than 31-03-2024. However, with a start date of 14/02/2024 (as noted in the timetable in the RFQ) that would only leave bidders 6 weeks to complete this project. Please clarify if we can assume that we will have 8 weeks to complete the work?

Response: The aim is for the successful consultant to complete the work by 31-03-24. However we recognise that it is a short timeframe for completion so there is scope to extend by the additional two weeks if required.

Q2: Please confirm that we can use our own format for the technical questions?

Response: Yes that is permitted.

Q3: Please confirm if we are allowed to submit supporting documents? E.g., Are we allowed to submit CVs as a supporting document for Q3?

Response: Yes, as long as documents are directly relevant and referenced to the opportunity. RE: CVs, if the team working on the opportunity is large in number, please do not send through a CV for each team member - please summarise skills and experience.

Q4: Please confirm if there are any word/page limits for the technical responses?

Response: No word counts/limits for technical responses.

Q5: We note that there is a discount tab on the pricing schedule – if bidders do not offer any discount will that affect the scoring of their commercial response?

Response: No, not offering discount will not affect the scoring of the Commercial Response.

Q6: We note there is a discrepancy in the selection questionnaire under 2.1(e). It seems to be referencing 2.3 (a) which is not in the selection questionnaire. We assume this is in reference to 2.1(d) – please confirm?

Response: Yes, this is in relation to 2.1 (d).

Q7: Please can you supply bidders with the RFQ in word version so we can complete the questionnaire and required forms for submission.

Response: This request has been submitted to Natural England’s Contract Finder team for uploading onto contracts Finder. Please contact Vicky.ward@naturalengland.org.uk direct if this document is required before it is uploaded onto the site.

