

No.	Date	Levelling Up Fund Round 2 - Phase 1	
		Clarification Question	Clarification Response
1	03/05/2022	Section 2 paragraph 4.2 states that "Bidders are asked to quote for developing a third and fourth bid, again each containing up to three projects with a day rate for additional appraisal work and any management support to the NNC team managing the bidding round". Section 4 paragraph 1.1 states that "A Potential Supplier's RFQ Response may/will be rejected if it exceeds the capped budget for this procurement exercise, which is £80,000. " Can NNC confirm if the budget of £80,000 includes the quotes for developing the third and fourth bids?	The £80,000 budget includes the quotes for developing the third and fourth bids.
2	03/05/2022	Can NNC clarify the percentage weighting for quality questions and pricing?	An amended specification was issued on 4th May to clarify this. Quality questions are weighted 70% and price 30%.
3	03/05/2022	Can NNC clarify the projects identified as potentially suitable for Round 2 based on the survey and initial assessment carried out by NNC (Section , paragraph 2.2)	The initial assessment carried out by NNC has identified that projects are suitable for Round 2 but a quick review will be needed to confirm this.
4	03/05/2022	In the RFQ, section 2.2, the text suggests the projects may have been intended to be included.	An amended specification was issued on Weds 4th May with the list of projects added.
5	05/05/2022	Does NNC have cost breakdowns and project delivery plans for the approved LUF projects ready to be shared with the selected supplier?	There is a variety of information available for the projects some have projects plans, designs, feasibility studies and cost information others have less information.
6	05/05/2022	Section 2 2.7, 4.1 and 6.2: We understand that for each of the 6 projects comprising the two initial package bids that there will be initial in person meetings with further information supplied by phone/ virtually. We assume that the LUF panel meeting referred (2.7) would be in person? Is there a requirement for the fortnightly update meetings (6.2) to be in person or can these be virtual?	The LUF Panel would be in person the fortnightly meetings can be virtual.
7	05/05/2022	Section 4 1.1: Does the budget cap quoted relate to just the two initial package bids (i.e. item A of table E Pricing Schedule) or does it relate to all 4 potential bids (i.e. item E of Table E pricing schedule)?	The £80,000 budget is for developing all of the four bids.
8	05/05/2022	If bids 3 and 4 are agreed to go forward are these to be submitted to LUF round 2 closing on 6 th July as well?	All of the bids including 3 and 4 would need to be submitted to LUF by 6th July.
9	05/05/2022	Section 2 2.4: How will the decision on possible LUF bid numbers be communicated with potential tenderer after the 13/5?	Unfortunately we will now not be able to confirm the projects until after 16th May, however early indications from members are that there would be two submissions, but this will be agreed with them on 16th May.
10	05/05/2022	Is there a requirement for cost consultancy for each of the projects, or will costs be made available?	There is a need for cost consultancy services services. There is a variety of information available for the projects some have cost information and others have less information.
11	06/05/2022	Do NNC have an incumbent supplier that they work with to develop business cases for submission to DLUHC?	We do not current have a supplier appointed to write general business cases the suppliers that we work depend on the type of project and are procured when needed. For example we are currently working with our current contracted Highways supplier KeirWSP on a highways related project business case.
12	06/05/2022	Are you able to provide any more detail on the projects at this stage	An amended specification was issued on Weds 4th May with the list of projects added. Further information on the projects is not available at the moment, we will now not be able to confirm the projects until after 16th May, however early indications from members are that there would two submissions, but this will be agreed with them on 16th May.
13	06/05/2022	Have you completed the technical work (feasibility, design, costs) for the projects yet	There is a variety of information available for the projects some have projects plans, designs, feasibility studies and cost information others have less information.
14	06/05/2022	Could the Council clarify the projects identified as suitable at Paragraph 2.2 in the RFQ? Currently this element is a placeholder.	An amended specification was issued on Weds 4th May with list of projects added.
15	06/05/2022	Is the Council envisaging that cost consultancy services/Chartered Surveyor services are required as part of the project team to develop new cost appraisals, or will the appointed project team instead be required to collate and examine existing cost analysis?	There is a need for cost consultancy services/chartered surveyor services. There is a variety of information available for the projects some have cost information and others have less information.
16	06/05/2022	Could the Council clarify the number of relevant submissions under this tender. Are we correct in assuming that there are to be two submissions under LUF Round 2, and then the potential for a further two submissions under LUF Round 3 or similar fund?	There will be two submissions under LUF Round 2, but there could be a further two possible submissions under Round 2 hence the request for a quote for submissions for a third and fourth bid. However early indications from members are that there would be two submissions, but this will be agreed with them on 16th May.