

SAQ QUERY TRACKER - DCC HBP - 23/07/2026					
Query No.	Query Date	Query	DCC Response Date	DCC Response	Status
1	07/07/2026	Is it permissible for the Principal Service Providers - design consultants - to participate in this competition with multiple D and B Contractors?	10/07/2026	Yes, participation by a Principal Service Provider (design consultant) with more than one D&B Contractor is permissible at the SAQ stage, provided that any actual or potential conflict of interest is fully disclosed and managed. Section 3.6 of the PIM states that where a service provider/consultant is acting for more than one Contractor, they must inform all Contractors for whom they are acting in advance of submitting the SAQ. The PIM further notes that if a potential conflict of interest arises due to the proposed participation of one or more of a Contractor's Principal Service Providers with another shortlisted Applicant, the matter will need to be addressed prior to the issue of the Invitation to Tender (ITT).	Closed
2	08/07/2026	In relation to 3.4.2c for the Works Contractor - the B3 form was not included in the list of documents in QW1 folder, is it only our Design Team members have to complete the B3 form and Works contractors just refer to the B2 form completed under 3.4c	10/07/2026	Yes, Appendix B3 applies to the Designer questionnaires (QC1) only and is therefore not required to be completed by Works Contractors under QW1. For QW1, the assessment of the PSCS is carried out under criterion 3.4.2c (Health & Safety Competence of PSCS). In accordance with the requirements of that criterion, applicants are required to submit Safety and Health Plans for two (2) projects included in Appendix B1. Accordingly, Works Contractors are not required to submit a B3 form and should instead provide the information and supporting documentation specified under QW1 criterion 3.4.2c.	Closed
3	08/07/2026	We request a review of the minimum average turnover criteria for the Lot A Framework and Lot B Framework. To facilitate our participation and align with the stated objective of encouraging SME participation, we request the following amendments: * Lot A Framework (Joint Venture): Reduce the individual member requirement from €66m to €45m. Our proposed JV partner, meets the overall aggregate requirement of €110m. * Lot B Framework: Reduce the overall applicant requirement from €50m to €45m to permit a standalone submission. Given the tight submission deadline of 05/08/2026, we would appreciate a swift response, if possible, as this will allow all respective parties adequate time to finalise their preferred procurement route.	15/07/2026	The Contracting Authority has carefully considered multiple requests to reduce the minimum average turnover requirement for Lot B Framework. Having reviewed the matter and taking into account the objective of promoting competition in the procurement process, and encouraging participation from a broader range of economic operators, including SMEs and mid-sized contractors, the Contracting Authority has determined to amend the minimum average annual turnover requirement for Lot B Framework from €50 million to €45 million. An addendum to the procurement documentation will be issued via eTenders reflecting this amendment. The Lot A turnover requirements will remain unchanged.	Closed
4	09/07/2026	Could you please upload App B3 template required to answer QW1 3.4.2c?	15/07/2026	Refer to Item 2 above	Closed
5	09/07/2026	In reference to the above SAQ and in particular Lot B Section 3.3a Evidence of Turnover, we would gratefully request that the minimum average yearly turnover be set at €45,000,000 for Lot B, in order to encourage a wider market participation and in particular more SME participation.	15/07/2026	The Contracting Authority has carefully considered multiple requests to reduce the minimum average turnover requirement for Lot B Framework. Having reviewed the matter and taking into account the objective of promoting competition in the procurement process, and encouraging participation from a broader range of economic operators, including SMEs and mid-sized contractors, the Contracting Authority has determined to amend the minimum average annual turnover requirement for Lot B Framework from €50 million to €45 million. An addendum to the procurement documentation will be issued via eTenders reflecting this amendment. The Lot A turnover requirements will remain unchanged.	Closed
6	10/07/2026	Due to the summer holiday period, we would respectfully request a two-week extension to the return date for the above PQQ. We kindly request that the submission deadline be extended from 05/08/2026 at 12:00 to 19/08/2026 at 12:00. This additional time would enable us and our design team to complete and review all required submission documentation.	17/07/2026	The Contracting Authority has considered multiple requests for extension of time and, taking into account the timing of the competition during the summer holiday period, the scale and complexity of the submission requirements, and the need to facilitate a robust and competitive process, has decided to extend the submission deadline by three weeks. Accordingly, the deadline for receipt of submissions is revised from 12:00 on 05 August 2026 to 12:00 on 26 August 2026.	Closed
7	13/07/2026	Are CVs for managerial staff only required or do you require additional staff CVs for each discipline below Works Contractor, Architect, Mechanical and Electrical, Civil and Structural. Are CVs required for Fire Safety Consultant Landscape Architect PSDP PSCS How many project examples are required for 3.4(c) for each design team member	21/07/2026	CVs are required only for the personnel identified under Criterion 3.4(a) of the relevant QW1/QC1 document. For the Works Contractor and PSCS, the relevant requirements are contained within QW1. For Architect, Civil & Structural Engineer, Mechanical & Electrical Engineer, Landscape Architect, Fire Safety Consultant and PSDP, the relevant requirements are contained within the applicable QC1 document. Additional personnel CVs are not required at this stage under Criterion 3.4(b). The minimum requirement under Criterion 3.4b is the declaration contained within the relevant Applicant Details and Declaration document. The Contracting Authority reserves the right to request supporting CV evidence in accordance with the SAQ requirements. Under Criterion 3.4(c), Applicants must provide details of not more than three (3) project examples for each Principal Service Provider role including Architect, Civil & Structural Engineer, Mechanical & Electrical Engineer, Landscape Architect, Fire Safety Consultant and PSDP/HSC, using the format provided at Appendix B3, and must also complete the relevant Appendix B1. Where more than three (3) projects are submitted for a role, only the first three (3) projects listed by the Applicant will be considered for assessment. For the avoidance of doubt, the requirement relates to each Principal Service Provider role/discipline and not to each individual team member within that discipline. For the Works Contractor, the project example requirements are those set out in QW1 criterion 3.4c, which provides for up to five (5) completed works projects.	Closed
8	14/07/2026	Due to the current high volume of tender submissions, together with the impact of the summer holiday period and recent bank holidays, we would be grateful if the Contracting Authority would consider granting a three-week extension to the tender submission deadline.	17/07/2026	Refer to Item 6 above	Closed
9	15/07/2026	I am enquiring whether we are required to have completed previous council works in order to apply for this framework.	21/07/2026	The competition is open to Applicants who can demonstrate that they satisfy the minimum suitability requirements set out in the procurement documentation. As set out in the published documentation, Applicants are required to provide evidence of completed projects that are similar in nature, scale and complexity to the works envisaged under the Framework. There is no requirement that such projects must have been undertaken for a local authority or other council body.	Closed

10	15/07/2026	Due to current market activity and summer holiday period, we respectfully request a 3 week extension to the SAQ return deadline.	17/07/2026	Refer to Item 6 above	Closed
11	16/07/2026	We respectfully request a three-week extension to the submission deadline for this procurement to allow sufficient time for the completion and verification of the required supporting documentation across all participating entities.	17/07/2026	Refer to Item 6 above	Closed
12	16/07/2026	Can you confirm if Health and Safety Plans are required at both 3.4.1c and 3.4.2c? Is the total number required 4	21/07/2026	As set out in the published documentation, under QW1 criterion 3.4.1c (Health & Safety Competence of Contractor) Applicants are required to provide Safety and Health Plans for two (2) of the projects included in Appendix B1. In addition, under QW1 criterion 3.4.2c (Health & Safety Competence of PSCS) Applicants are required to provide Safety and Health Plans for two (2) of the projects included in Appendix B1. Accordingly, where an Applicant is responding to both criteria, the submission should include two (2) Safety and Health Plans in respect of criterion 3.4.1c and two (2) Safety and Health Plans in respect of criterion 3.4.2c.	Closed
13	16/07/2026 & edited 17/07/2026	In reference to the above prequalification, we respectfully request a two-week extension to the submission deadline of 5 August. This request is made on the basis that the annual CIF Builders' Holidays take place from 20 July to 3 August, leaving a very limited timeframe in which to prepare a comprehensive prequalification submission. In addition, the submission requires information and supporting documentation from external parties, which may not be readily available during this period. Edit Received 17/07/2026: can we request an extension to Friday 21st August to cover the CIF Annual Holidays and the August Bank Holiday.	17/07/2026	Refer to Item 6 above	Closed
14	16/07/2026	I am writing to formally request a four-week extension of time in relation to the CFT DCC - Home Building Programme Contractor Multi-Party Framework Agreement in 2 Lots A and B. The upcoming builders' holidays, combined with staff taking annual leave over three weeks, will result in us operating with a significantly reduced workforce. This will affect our ability to complete the required works within the current programme. In light of these circumstances, we would appreciate it if you could facilitate a four-week extension to the current completion date.	17/07/2026	Refer to Item 6 above	Closed
15	17/07/2026	Due to the general Summer holiday period, we are experiencing a slow response from the supply chain. With the official construction industry holiday period starting this evening many companies will shut down, only reopening on Tuesday 4th August. To facilitate a comprehensive submission which includes a considered response from the supply chain, we would respectfully request that the current submission date be extended to August 26th	17/07/2026	Refer to Item 6 above	Closed
16	17/07/2026	Can the Contracting Authority advise when applying for Lot B solely and applying for Lot A as a Joint Venture, is it possible to gain access onto both Lots in this scenario?	21/07/2026	An entity may submit an application as a standalone Applicant and separately participate in an application as part of a Joint Venture, provided that each application complies with the requirements of the procurement documentation, including the relevant eligibility and qualification criteria applicable. For example, a Joint Venture application may be successful in respect of Lot A while one of its consortium members may separately be successful in respect of Lot B, subject to each application meeting the applicable requirements and achieving the necessary ranking in the evaluation process.	Closed
17	17/07/2026	We respectfully request an Extension of time due to the CIF builder holidays fall within the return period. We would like to request a 2 week extension of time.	17/07/2026	Refer to Item 6 above	Closed
18	17/07/2026	Due to the CIF Holiday Period and the Bank Holiday leading into the return date. Both us and our Design Team respectfully request an extension of time to the current deadline of 2 weeks.	17/07/2026	Refer to Item 6 above	Closed
19	17/07/2026	Within QC1 (SAQ Architect), can you please confirm whether, for Question 3.4d (Measures for Ensuring Quality), a declaration is sufficient at this stage, or if we should also provide a construction quality description as referenced at the end of the section	22/07/2026	The minimum requirement at this stage is the declaration contained within Section 3.0 (Applicant Details and Declaration) of the relevant QC1 document. Applicants are not required to submit additional supporting information in respect of Criterion 3.4(d) at SAQ stage unless expressly requested by the Contracting Authority.	Closed
20	17/07/2026	If we submit the SAQ as a Joint Venture for the DCC Home Building Programme Framework: In relation to Sections 3.4a- it requires CVs for the following below- is our JV Partner to provide the same number of CV's as listed below as we the Lead Applicant? and similarly for Section 3.4c – requires 5 Projects. Are we as the Lead Applicant to provide 5 previous projects and our JV Partner to provide 5nr as well. i.e. 10 nr in Total? Do we also need to provide: Project Directors x2 Contracts Managers x2 Project Managers x2 Health and Safety Managers x2 Quality Managers x2	22/07/2026	In the case of a Consortium or Joint Venture a single SAQ response must be submitted by the Lead Member. Where more than one entity is proposed in the role of D&B Contractor, the five (5) projects submitted in response to QW1 Criterion 3.4(c) must include projects from each such entity (subject to the total limit of five (5) projects). The requirement is not for each entity to submit five (5) projects separately. Similarly, where more than one entity is proposed in the role of D&B Contractor, the ten (10) CVs submitted in response to QW1 Criterion 3.4(a) must include nominated management personnel from each such entity (subject to the total limit of ten (10) projects). The requirement is not for each entity to submit a separate full set of ten (10) CVs. For the avoidance of doubt, the consortium or joint venture will be assessed as a single Applicant, submitted by the Lead Member, and the submitted projects and CVs should collectively demonstrate compliance with the relevant SAQ requirements.	Closed

21	17/07/2026	In QC1 SAQ Architects, can you please confirm if you require both persons proposed to have 10 year experience. In Contractor SAQ 3.4.1 and 3.4.2 should the Appendix 1 be signed by the applicant. Presently there is no option to do so within the document.	22/07/2026	Additional personnel CVs are not required at this stage under Criterion 3.4(b). The minimum requirement under Criterion 3.4(b) is the declaration contained within the relevant Applicant Details and Declaration document. The Applicant may, at the discretion of the Contracting Authority, be required to provide evidence by way of the below CVs to confirm compliance with the declaration noted above, as part of the SAQ. Where two (2) CVs are required for Architect, Building Services M&E Engineer and Civil & Structural Engineer, the CVs must demonstrate that at least one of the design personnel proposed in each discipline has a minimum of ten (10) years' experience, and that the other design personnel proposed has a minimum of seven (7) years' experience. For Fire Safety Consultancy, Landscape Architect and Project Supervisor for the Design Process, one (1) CV is required for each role, and the design personnel proposed in each of those roles must have a minimum of ten (10) years' experience. The QC1 documents will be updated to reflect the above clarification. In relation to Appendix 1 under QW1 3.4.1 and 3.4.2, a signature is not required unless expressly requested within the template. The declaration contained within the Applicant Details and Declaration document constitutes the Applicant's formal confirmation of the information provided as part of its submission.	Closed
22	20/07/2026	We note from the SAQ Query Tacker, Item 6, that the submission deadline was extended from 5th August to 26 August at 12pm. The tender submission date is still showing as 5th August on the CFT. Can this be amended to show 26 August?	21/07/2026	Time-limit for receipt of tenders is now indicated as 26 August 12:00 noon on the CFT.	Closed
23	20/07/2026	Given that the response requirements are substantial and the deadline falls just after the bank holiday/CIF holiday period, would you please consider extending the deadline for submission by 5-7 working days? Due to the holiday period, many of our staff are on annual leave or just returning. We believe the extra time would benefit all participants and result in a higher quality of proposals.	21/07/2026	Refer to Item 6 above	Closed
24	21/07/2026	DCC Circular	21/07/2026	As the deadline for receipt of tender submissions has been extended to 26 August 2026 as per Item 6 above, we have also extended the clarification period. Accordingly, the deadline for receipt of clarification queries has been extended from 22 July 2026 at 12:00 noon to 12 August at 12:00 noon.	Closed
25	22/07/2026	For 3.4.1 can you confirm if the signed declaration at Appendix 1 will be sufficed for 3.4.1a (HS) Educational and Professional Qualifications (Management) 3.4.1b (HS) Educational and Professional Qualifications (Personnel) 3.4.1d (HS) Measures for Ensuring Quality 3.4.1e (HS) A statement of average annual numbers of person employed Or is a response required	23/07/2026	The minimum requirement for QW1 3.4.1a, 3.4.1b, 3.4.1d and 3.4.1e at this stage is the declaration contained within Section 2.7 of the QW1 Applicant Details and Declaration document. Applicants are not required to submit a separate response or supporting evidence in respect of these sub-criteria as part of the SAQ Response, unless such information is requested by the Contracting Authority.	Closed
26	22/07/2026	For 3.4.2 can you confirm if the signed declaration at Appendix 1 will be sufficed for 3.4.2a (HS) Educational and Professional Qualifications (Management) 3.4.2b (HS) Educational and Professional Qualifications (Personnel) 3.4.2d (HS) Measures for Ensuring Quality 3.4.2e (HS) A statement of average annual numbers of person employed Or is a response required	23/07/2026	The minimum requirement for QW1 3.4.2a, 3.4.2b, 3.4.2d and 3.4.2e at this stage is the declaration contained within Section 2.7 of the QW1 Applicant Details and Declaration document. Applicants are not required to submit a separate response or supporting evidence in respect of these sub-criteria as part of the SAQ Response, unless such information is requested by the Contracting Authority.	Closed
27	24/07/2026	In the interest of fairness to allow SME's and mid-sized contractors enter the competition as part of a JV in line with Reg 58, can a member of the JV participate with an aggregate of the minimum turnover rather than individual for the 3 year duration?	31/07/2026	Where the procurement documentation specifies a minimum average annual turnover requirement to be met by an individual member of a Consortium or Joint Venture, that requirement cannot be satisfied by aggregating the turnover of multiple Joint Venture members in place of the specified individual member requirement.	Closed
28	24/07/2026	Table 8 states that the Foreign Subsidies Regulation applies to this Competition. If the Applicant does not receive any funding or financial contributions from outside the European Union, we understand that neither an FSR notification nor an FSR declaration is required. Could you please confirm that this understanding is correct and that a statement to this effect will be sufficient to satisfy the requirements of Item 8(ix)B for this prequalification competition?	31/07/2026	The Contracting Authority refers Applicants to the FSR Annex issued as part of the procurement documentation, entitled "FSR Annex regarding the application of Regulation (EU) 2022/2560 in respect of Foreign Subsidies Regulation to the Competition". As set out in the FSR Annex, an FSR Notification is required where foreign financial contributions from any third country have a value of €4 million or above per third country in the three years prior to the date of the FSR Notification. An FSR Declaration is required where foreign financial contributions from any third country do not reach that notification threshold in the three years prior to the date of the FSR Declaration. Accordingly, the FSR Annex requires all Applicants to submit either: a) an FSR Notification in the form of Annex II – Form FS-PP of the Implementing Regulation detailing foreign financial contributions received; or b) an FSR Declaration in the form of completed sections 1, 2, 7 and 8 of Annex II – Form FS-PP of the Implementing Regulation declaring that notifiable foreign financial contributions meeting the relevant threshold have not been received. Applicants are responsible for ensuring that their SAQ submission complies with the requirements of the FSR Annex and the procurement documentation.	Closed

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