

Query #	Request	Response
765725	<i>Please can you clarify the relationship between the stated budget, delivery timetable and the scope of services requested. Based on our experience delivering similar pieces of work, the level of effort associated with the required outputs may be difficult to accommodate within the budget and timeline parameters set out in the tender documentation.</i>	The estimated contract value is indicative only and is not intended to define, limit or influence tender pricing. Tenderers should determine their fee based on their own assessment of the scope, programme and requirements set out in the tender documentation. The Contracting Authority's target programme for Stage 1 is six weeks, as stated in the tender documentation. Achievement of this target programme will be dependent on a range of factors, including timely access to project information and relevant stakeholders. Relevant project information and supporting documentation available to the Contracting Authority will be made available to the successful tenderer following appointment. Tenderers should satisfy themselves as to the resources, methodology and fee required to deliver the Services in accordance with the tender requirements and stated programme.
766615	<i>We presume that a design team have been involved to date and a set of options brought together that are up to date ?</i>	Yes. A design team has been engaged and development options have been prepared. Relevant project information and supporting documentation available to the Contracting Authority, including the current options under consideration, will be made available to the successful tenderer following appointment. Tenderers should satisfy themselves as to the resources and methodology required to deliver the Services in accordance with the tender documentation.
766615	<i>The timescale for the SAR and PBC (6 weeks if we have read this correctly) is extremely condensed. We presume that this is a reflection of the history of the project and that the winning tenderer will receive all documentation to assemble both documents including. Strategy. Design, options and workforce and capital costs, without that the 6 weeks allows for the SAR stage only</i>	The Contracting Authority confirms that the Stage 1 programme is six weeks, as set out in the tender documentation. The six-week programme is a target programme and achievement of this target will be dependent on a range of factors, including timely access to project information and relevant stakeholders. Relevant project information and supporting documentation available to the Contracting Authority will be made available to the successful tenderer following appointment. Tenderers should satisfy themselves as to the resources, methodology and work plan required to deliver the Stage 1 services within the stated programme. All other requirements of the tender documentation remain unchanged.
766615	<i>Has there been a review of integrated IT to the preferred option ?</i>	No detailed review of integrated ICT systems has been completed to date. Relevant project information and supporting documentation available to the Contracting Authority will be made available to the successful tenderer following appointment. Tenderers should allow for consideration of ICT and digital infrastructure requirements associated with the options under assessment as part of the delivery of the Services.
766615	<i>Has a matching workforce analysis been undertaken in support of work to date ?</i>	No detailed workforce analysis has been completed to date. Relevant project information and supporting documentation available to the Contracting Authority will be made available to the successful tenderer following appointment. Tenderers should allow for engagement with relevant stakeholders and consideration of workforce implications as part of the option appraisal, economic appraisal and business case development process.
766615	<i>Has there been economic or QS input on the choices around the existing hospital elements that will remain post the new ward block?</i>	Preliminary quantity surveying analysis has been undertaken in relation to the options currently under consideration. Relevant project information and supporting documentation available to the Contracting Authority, including available cost and option development information, will be made available to the successful tenderer following appointment. Tenderers should allow for review and assessment of the existing hospital accommodation, retained estate elements and associated economic and cost implications as part of the delivery of the Services.
768492	<i>Is there a required tender response template for this tender?</i>	No prescribed tender response template is provided. Tenderers should structure their submissions in accordance with the requirements set out in the Instructions to Tenderers, including the specified quality criteria, submission headings and page limits.
769224	<i>Please confirm if Tenderers are required to submit three separate PDF documents, one for each of Criteria A, B and C, with the relevant sub-criteria addressed within each document, or can be addressed in a singular response document. Please also confirm that the tender response is expected be prepared in the Tenderer's own format as no response document was provided.</i>	Tenderers may submit either separate documents for Criteria A, B and C or a single combined document, provided that the submission clearly addresses all criteria and sub-criteria set out in the Instructions to Tenderers. No prescribed response template is provided. Tenderers should prepare their submissions in their own format and structure the response in accordance with the quality criteria, submission requirements and page limits set out in the Instructions to Tenderers.
769224	<i>Please confirm that hourly rates are not applicable to the tender submission and should not be included in either the Form of Tender or the detailed pricing breakdown.</i>	Tenderers are not required or permitted to submit hourly rates as part of their tender submission. Tenderers should submit a lump sum fee in accordance with the Form of Tender and the Instructions to Tenderers. Hourly rates will not form part of the tender assessment. Where additional services are required and compensated on the basis of hourly rates, such rates will be determined in accordance with the methodology set out in ITT-S2(a). Accordingly, hourly rates should not be included in the Form of Tender or in the detailed pricing breakdown.
769224	<i>Criterion 3.4c of the Suitability Assessment Questionnaire requires details of completed commissions to be submitted in the format set out in Appendix B1 and refers to a Certificate of Satisfactory Execution in Appendix B3. However, Appendices B1 and B3 do not appear to be included in the tender documentation. Please provide the relevant template.</i>	Appendix B1 and Appendix B3 are not required for this competition. Tenderers may submit the information required under Criterion 3.4c in their own format, provided the submission clearly demonstrates compliance with the minimum requirements set out under Criterion 3.4c of the Suitability Assessment Questionnaire and includes all information requested under that criterion.
769224	<i>Section 1.2 of the Suitability Assessment Questionnaire requires Tenderers to complete and sign the Declaration in Section 3 of Part 2. However, the tender documentation provided appears to include Part 1 only. Please provide the applicable Part 2 template and confirm that the completed and signed Part 2 must be submitted as part of the tender response.</i>	Part 2 of the Suitability Assessment Questionnaire was not included in the original tender documentation and is now being issued as supplemental information. Tenderers are required to complete and sign Part 2 and submit it as part of their tender response in accordance with the requirements of the Suitability Assessment Questionnaire.
771242	<i>The due date for this tender submission is 13/09/2026, which is a SUNDAY. Can you please review?</i>	Thank you for highlighting this. The tender submission deadline is 14 September 2026 at 12:00 noon , as set out in the Instructions to Tenderers.
771457	<i>Is there a site visit programmed for this project?</i>	No site visit is currently scheduled as part of this competition. Tenderers should prepare their submissions based on the information provided in the tender documentation. Should the Contracting Authority consider it necessary to arrange a site visit, details will be communicated to all tenderers via eTenders.