

HDC202504 – RFQ - Clarifications received up until 19th June 12.00noon 2025

For this commission on the “Experience, Case Studies and References” question, would we be able to use experience of similar schemes from previous organizations that our team members have worked on?

Yes

Regarding the contract, there appears to be no cap on data protection liability. Can the data protection liability cap be set at £500k please?

The Council is willing to consider proposals from suppliers on the appropriate level for the data protection liability cap to be set, recognising that this may in part be influenced by the supplier's approach to undertaking the work.

Is the project completion date of December 2025 a rigid deadline or would there be capacity for flexibility?

Ideally, the feasibility study(ies) would be completed by December 2025. There is the flexibility of one month, but the study(ies) would have to be completed by the end of January 2026. This is a rigid deadline and the contract dates have been updated to reflect this.

Could you confirm whether the required level of design should be CAD-based feasibility design or GIS concept plans in line with LCWIP guidance?

Plans will need to demonstrate how the interventions will be delivered within the local constraints. There should be sufficient detail to understand the engineering techniques to be used and to allow for a comprehensive understanding of likely costs. GIS plans may be appropriate, particularly if the route is off-road, whilst for junctions/transition zones/pinch points CAD-based feasibility designs will be necessary to demonstrate the feasibility of the interventions.

Is there an opportunity to proceed under our standard Terms and Conditions should the bid be successful?

The terms and conditions attached to the RFQ use the Government's model short form contract. Any requests to vary these terms and conditions would need to be included in the supplier's submission for consideration by the Council. If such changes are material to the solution proposed, rather than just preferred wording of the supplier, this should be highlighted.

Please could you advise if there are any requirements in terms of page/word limits for responses?

There are no limits on pages/word count, but responses should be relatively concise.