

Clarification questions responses: Maintain and develop Integrated Water Management website content and resources specification

1. What is the current hosting setup/infrastructure for the website?

Webflow CMS

2. What software/framework is used to create the map?

ArcGIS, hosted with Esri

3. I am a solo, independent contractor, would I be eligible for the role? Or are you looking for an agency or design studio?

Very welcome to submit showing you can fulfil all requirements of the specification including website, design and copy writing elements

4. Do you want to keep the existing hosting (Webflow I believe) or you are looking to move the website to a new platform or eco-friendly hosting?

As part of the tender process we will look at all the factors and costings within each individual proposal. We are open to change, but please cost accordingly

5. What are the current costs of the Map licences?

£1000/year

6. To be able to host and maintain this mapping tool, please could you confirm the technology that the existing tool is built upon? For example, is this PHP, Javascript, Python or a mix of multiple technologies?

Layers created with ArcGIS. JavaScript (primarily using leaflet.js, with adaptation to allow slider controls for layer opacity) with a PHP backend

7. We can see that the current website is in Webflow, does it need to remain in Webflow or could we re-platform the website and the maps to another Open-Source Content Management System?

The website can be re-platformed to another open source content management system.

As part of the tender we will look at all proposed approaches including platforms

8. Within the budget allocated to this, we can re-architect the website to use a different platform for more scalable, longer-term maintainability. Would that approach be considered as part of your procurement process? Or are you specifically looking for an organisation who will continue to use the proprietary WebFlow platform, and pass those additional costs on to you through this budget?

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9. OS License Fee, The tender mentions that the contractor will be required to pay the OS license fee for the interactive map found on the website for 1 year.

- Can you confirm if this refers to Ordnance Survey license fees and if so, what are the annual fees that the supplier ?
- Are these fees included within the initial project budget?

£1000/year. To be budgeted within your proposal

10. Website Hosting & Licenses, The document states that the contractor will be responsible for acquiring and paying the fees for the appropriate license to host the existing website and its contents.

- Could you confirm your current hosting provider? (e.g. AWS or other)
- Elementor in Wordpress (which we know has an annual license), are there other plugin or third-party tool license fees expected to be covered by the new supplier?
- Would you be able to share an overview of the monthly or annual third-party costs currently associated with the site?

Webflow CMS. ArcGIS, hosted with Esri. Website address yearly fee £1000 before tax, Esri arc map license renewal 1000k per year (ArcGIS online creator user type subscription)

11. The OS license type that we will need to maintain, can I get more information on the type you use/required so we can cost it in.

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12. The technology stack currently in use, as much information as you can provide would be helpful.

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13. Hosting environment, again as much information on the current hosting arrangements would be beneficial to us.

Webflow CMS.