**Clarifications to Bidder’s Questions**

**Develop an Open Mosaic Habitats on Previously Developed Land (OMH) GIS layer**

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| **Question** | | **Answer** |
| 1 | OS MasterMap.  We are OS Partners and so can supply the data but am I right in assuming that Natural England have OS MasterMap themselves and would be supplying the data? | Yes, we do have OS MasterMap and we would be able to share it with you. It may be difficult to send due to file sizes and various internal processes on our side, but if we need to, we’ll make it work. It would be quicker and easier to use your version of the MasterMap if possible, at least at the start of this project. |
| 2 | Aerial Imagery.  Is this the same assumptions as above?  Or do we have to look to source the imagery? | The previous work used Google / Bing Satellite Imagery etc., and we will get back to the successful supplier with other options that we are exploring internally. I have attached the 2024 report which outlines what has previously been used. |
| 3 | Part of the reason for asking these questions is this statement:  *The intention is for NE to publish the revised data on the open data portal. No data sources should be used where licensing requirements would prevent this from happening.*  Our understanding is that OS MasterMap cannot be published in the Public Domain unless there is a watermark.  Is this the case or do you have an arrangement with OS? | The PHI has been granted an exemption from Ordinance Survey because it is so heavily derived it would not be possible to reverse engineer their map; therefore, there’s no need to watermark your data. |