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Section I: Contracting Authority

I.1) Name, Addresses and Contact Point(s):

Shropshire Council

Shirehall, Abbey Foregate, Shrewsbury, SY2 6ND, United Kingdom

Tel. +44 1743252993, Fax. +44 1743253910, Email: procurement@shropshire.gov.uk, URL:

www.shropshire.gov.uk

Contact: Procurement, Attn: Procurement

Further information can be obtained at: As Above Specifications and additional documents: As Above

Tenders or requests to participate must be sent to: As Above

I.2) Type of the contracting authority:

Regional or local authority

I.3) Main activity:

General Public Services

I.4) Contract award on behalf of other contracting authorities:

The contracting authority is purchasing on behalf of other contracting authorities: Yes

Section II: Object Of The Contract: SUPPLIES

II.1)Description

II.1.1)Title attributed to the contract by the contracting authority: IMC 159 - The Supply and Delivery of Kitchen Disposables and Light Equipment

II.1.2)Type of contract and location of works, place of delivery or of performance: SUPPLIES Purchase

Region Codes: UKG - WEST MIDLANDS (ENGLAND)

- II.1.3) Information about a public contract, a framework or a dynamic purchasing system: The notice involves the setting up of a framework agreement
 - II.1.4)Information on framework agreement:

Framework agreement with several operators

Duration of the framework agreement:

Duration in year(s): 4

II.1.5)Short description of the contract or purchase:

Disposable catering supplies. Light catering equipment. A contract for the supply and delivery of kitchen disposables and light equipment to Shropshire Council for an initial period of 2 years commencing on 1st August 2015 with the option to extend for a further period of 2 years.

Kitchen disposables and light equipment are required to be delivered on a regular basis to sites across Shropshire, Herefordshire, Worcestershire, Cheshire, North Wales and the West Midlands in line with the requirements of the Council and the specifications included in the tender.

The contract will consist of two lots:-Lot A:Kitchen Disposables Lot B:Light Equipment

The Council reserves the right to change, withdraw or include establishments on a temporary or permanent basis to this arrangement as necessary. Further sites may be added and others removed during the duration of this contract dependant on operational requirements.

Tenderers can apply for one or both lots.

II.1.6)Common Procurement Vocabulary: 39222100 - Disposable catering supplies.

39311000 - Light catering equipment.

II.1.7) Information about Government Procurement Agreement (GPA):

The contract is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA): No

II.1.8)Lots:

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

If yes, tenders should be submitted for: One or more lots

II.1.9)Information about variants: Variants will be accepted: Yes

II.2)Quantity Or Scope Of The Contract

II.2.1)Total quantity or scope:

The contract will consist of two lots:-

Lot A:Kitchen Disposables £52000 per annum

Lot B:Light Equipment £82000 per annum

Estimated value excluding VAT: 536,000

Currency: GBP

II.2.2)Options: No

II.2.3)Information about renewals:

This contract is subject to renewal: No

II.3) Duration Of The Contract Or Time-Limit For Completion

Starting: 01/08/2015 Completion: 31/07/2019

Information About Lots

Lot No: 1

Title: Kitchen Disposables

1)Short Description:

A contract for the supply and delivery of kitchen disposables to Shropshire Council for an initial period of 2 years commencing on 1st August 2015 with the option to extend for a further period of 2 years.

Kitchen disposables are required to be delivered on a regular basis to sites across Shropshire, Herefordshire, Worcestershire, Cheshire, North Wales and the West Midlands in line with the requirements of the Council and the specifications included in the tender.

2)Common Procurement Vocabulary:

39222100 - Disposable catering supplies.

3) Quantity Or Scope: Not Provided

If known, estimated cost of works excluding VAT: 208,000

Currency: GBP

4)Indication About Different Date For Start Of Award Procedures And/Or Duration Of The Contract

Scheduled date for:

Start of works: 01/08/2015 Completion of works: 31/07/2019

5) Additional Information About Lots: Not Provided

Lot No: 2

Title: Light Equipment

1)Short Description:

A contract for the supply and delivery of light equipment to Shropshire Council for an initial period

of 2 years commencing on 1st August 2015 with the option to extend for a further period of 2 years.

Light equipment is required to be delivered on a regular basis to sites across Shropshire, Herefordshire, Worcestershire, Cheshire, North Wales and the West Midlands in line with the requirements of the Council and the specifications included in the tender.

2)Common Procurement Vocabulary: 39311000 - Light catering equipment.

3) Quantity Or Scope: Not Provided

If known, estimated cost of works excluding VAT: 328,000

Currency: GBP

4)Indication About Different Date For Start Of Award Procedures And/Or Duration Of The Contract

Scheduled date for:

Start of works: 01/08/2015 Completion of works: 31/07/2019

5) Additional Information About Lots: Not Provided

Section III: Legal, Economic, Financial And Technical Information

III.1)Conditions relating to the contract

III.1.1)Deposits and guarantees required:

See tender documentation

III.1.2) Main financing conditions and payment arrangements and/or reference to the relevant provisions governing them:

See tender documentation

III.1.3)Legal form to be taken by the group of economic operators to whom the contract is to be awarded:

Joint and severable liability

III.1.4)Other particular conditions:

The performance of the contract is subject to particular conditions: No

III.2)Conditions For Participation

III.2.1)Personal situation of economic operators, including requirements relating to enrolment on professional or trade registers:

See tender documentation

III.2.2) Economic and financial capacity

Economic and financial capacity - means of proof required:

Information and formalities necessary for evaluating if requirements are met:

See tender documentation

Minimum Level(s) of standards possibly required:

See tender documentation

III.2.3)Technical capacity

Technical capacity - means of proof required

Information and formalities necessary for evaluating if requirements are met:

See tender documentation

Minimum Level(s) of standards possibly required:

See tender documentation

III.2.4)Information about reserved contracts: Not Provided

Section IV: Procedure IV.1)Type Of Procedure

IV.1.1)Type of procedure: Open

IV.2) Award Criteria

IV.2.1) Award criteria:

The most economically advantageous tender in terms of

The criteria stated in the specifications, in the invitation to tender or to negotiate or in the descriptive document

IV.2.2)Information about electronic auction:

An electronic auction will be used: No

IV.3)Administrative Information

IV.3.1) File reference number attributed by the contracting authority: IMC 159

IV.3.2)Previous publication(s) concerning the same contract: No

IV.3.3)Conditions for obtaining specifications and additional documents or descriptive document:

Date: 28/05/2015

Time-limit for receipt of requests for documents or for accessing documents: 12:00

Payable documents: No

IV.3.4) Time-limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate

Date: 29/05/2015 Time: 12:00

IV.3.6)Language(s) in which tenders or requests to participate may be drawn up: English

IV.3.7) Minimum time frame during which the tenderer must maintain the tender Not Provided

IV.3.8) Conditions for opening tenders

Not Provided

Section VI: Complementary Information

VI.1)This Is A Recurrent Procurement: Yes

Estimated timing for further notices to be published: 4 years

VI.2)Information about European Union funds:

The contract is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No VI.3)Additional Information: The contracting authority considers that this contract may be suitable for economic operators that are small or medium enterprises (SMEs). However, any selection of tenderers will be based solely on the criteria set out for the procurement, and the contract will be awarded on the basis of the most economically advantageous tender.

For more information about this opportunity, please visit the Delta eSourcing portal at: https://www.delta-esourcing.com/tenders/UK-UK-Shrewsbury:-Disposable-catering-supplies./3Z88CGH282

To respond to this opportunity, please click here:

https://www.delta-esourcing.com/respond/3Z88CGH282

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VI.4)Procedures For Appeal

VI.4.1)Body responsible for appeal procedures:

Shropshire Council

Shirehall, Abbey Foregate, Shrewsbury, SY2 6ND, United Kingdom

Tel. +44 1743252993, Email: procurement@shropshire.gov.uk

VI.4.2)Lodging of appeals: The contracting authority will incorporate a minimum 10 day calendar day standstill period at the point of information on the award of the contract is communicated to tenderers. This period allows unsuccessful tenderers to seek further debriefing from the contracting authority before the contract is entered into. Additional information should be requested from the contact in Section 1.1. If an appeal regarding the award of contract has not been successfully resolved the Public Contracts Regulations provide for aggrieved parties who have been harmed or are at risk of harm by a breach of the rules to take action in the High Court (England and Wales).

VI.4.3)Service from which information about the lodging of appeals may be obtained: Shropshire Council

Shirehall, Abbey Foregate, Shrewsbury, SY2 6ND, United Kingdom

Tel. +44 1743252993

VI.5) Date Of Dispatch Of This Notice: 29/04/2015

ANNEX A

IV) Address of the other contracting authority on behalf of which the contracting authority is purchasing

Purchased on behalf of other contracting authority details:

1: Contracting Authority

Shropshire Council is purchasing on behalf of itself and any wholly owned local authority company or other entity that is deemed to be a contracting authority by virtue of the Council's involvement.

Shirehall, Abbey Foregate, Shrewsbury, SY2 6ND, United Kingdom



Tel: (01743) 252993 **Fax**: (01743) 255901

Email: procurement@shropshire.gov.uk

Dear Sirs

IMC 159 - THE SUPPLY AND DELIVERY OF KITCHEN DISPOSABLES AND LIGHT EQUIPMENT

You have been invited to tender for the above requirement. With this letter please find copies of the following documents:

- 1. Instructions for Tendering and Special Terms and Conditions
- 2. Tender Response Document
- 3. Schedule of Deliveries
- 4. Pricing Schedule
- 5. General Terms and Conditions

Tenders should be made on the enclosed Tender Specification and Response Document. Your Tender must be completed, signed and returned together with a signed copy of the 'Instructions for Tendering and Special Terms and Conditions' through our Delta Tenderbox. You are recommended to keep a copy of all tender documents and supporting documents for your own records.

Please pay particular attention to the points below concerning the returning of tenders.

Returning of Tenders

The deadline for returning tenders is **noon on 29th May 2015**, any tenders received after this time will not be accepted.

Tenders are to be submitted through Delta, our electronic tender portal.

Please ensure that you allow yourself at least two hours when responding prior to the closing date and time, especially if you have been asked to upload documents. If you are uploading multiple documents you will have to individually load one document at a time or you can opt to zip all documents in an application like WinZip. Failure to submit by the time and date or by the method requested will not be accepted.

Once you upload documentation ensure you follow through to stage three and click the 'response submit' button. Failure to do so will mean the documents won't be viewable by the Council.

Please also direct any clarifications that you may have in relation to the invitation to tender through the Delta tender portal.

Tenders **cannot** be accepted if:
Tenders are received by post, facsimile or email
Tenders are received after **12 noon on the given deadline**

European Requirements

In accordance with the EU Procurement Directive, Shropshire Council will accept equivalent EC member or international standards in relation to safety, suitability and fitness for purpose. Where a particular brand of article or service has been referred to in the tender document, alternatives or equivalents which achieve the same result will be equally acceptable. In these cases Shropshire Council will take into account any evidence the tenderer wishes to propose in support of the claim that the product or service is equivalent to the named types.

All tender documents and any accompanying information must be submitted in English. A Contract Notice in respect of this requirement was dispatched on 17th December to appear in the Supplement to the Official Journal of the European Union.

Freedom of Information

Under the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 from 1 January 2005, the public (included in this are private companies, journalists, etc.) have a general right of access to information held by public authorities. Information about your organisation, which Shropshire Council may receive from you may be subject to disclosure, in response to a request, unless one of the various statutory exemptions applies.

Therefore if you provide any information to Shropshire Council in the expectation that it will be held in confidence, you must make it clear in your documentation as to the information to which you consider a duty of confidentiality applies. The use of blanket protective markings such as "commercial in confidence" will no longer be appropriate and a clear indication as to what material is to be considered confidential and why should be given.

Other Details

Please note that if supplementary questions are raised by any tenderer prior to the closing of tenders and Shropshire Council decides that the answers help to explain or clarify the information given in the Tender Documents, then both the questions and the answers will be circulated to all enterprises invited to submit a tender.

Shropshire Council is purchasing on behalf of itself and any wholly owned local authority company or other entity that is deemed to be a contracting authority by virtue of the Council's involvement

Yours faithfully

Procurement Manager Procurement & Contracts



INSTRUCTIONS FOR TENDERING AND SPECIAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

IMC 159 - THE SUPPLY AND DELIVERY OF KITCHEN DISPOSABLES AND LIGHT EQUIPMENT

Contract Description:

A contract for the supply and delivery of kitchen disposables and light equipment to Shropshire Council for an initial period of 2 years commencing on 1st August 2015 with the option to extend for a further period of 2 years.

Kitchen disposables and light equipment are required to be delivered on a regular basis to sites across Shropshire, Herefordshire, Worcestershire, Cheshire, North Wales and the West Midlands in line with the requirements of the Council and the specifications included in the tender.

The contract will consist of two lots:-

Lot A: Kitchen Disposables Lot B: Light Equipment

The Council reserves the right to change, withdraw or include establishments on a temporary or permanent basis to this arrangement as necessary. Further sites may be added and others removed during the duration of this contract dependant on operational requirements.

Tenderers can apply for one or both lots.

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1.0 Invitation to Tender

- 1.1 You are invited to tender for the supply and delivery of kitchen disposables and light equipment to Shropshire Council as detailed in the Tender Response Document. The contract will be for an initial period of 2 years commencing on the 1st August 2015 with the option to extend for a further period of up to 2 years.
- 1.2 Tenders are to be submitted in accordance with the General Terms and Conditions of Shropshire Council and the instructions outlined within this document.
- 1.3 Tenders must be submitted in accordance with the following instructions. Tenders not complying in any particular way may be rejected by Shropshire Council (the Council) whose decision in the matter shall be final. Persons proposing to submit a Tender are advised to read the Invitation to Tender documentation carefully to ensure that they are fully familiar with the nature and extent of the obligations to be accepted by them if their Tender is accepted.
- The Invitation to Tender documents must be treated as private and confidential. Tenderers should not disclose the fact that they have been invited to tender or release details of the Invitation to Tender document other than on an "in confidence" basis to those who have a legitimate need to know or who they need to consult for the purpose of preparing the tender as further detailed in these Instructions for Tendering.
- 1.5 Tenderers shall not at any time release information concerning the Invitation to Tender and/or the tender documents for publication in the press or on radio, television, screen or any other medium without the prior consent of the Council.
- The fact that a Tenderer has been invited to submit a tender does not necessarily mean that it has satisfied the Council regarding any matters raised in the pretender questionnaire submitted. The Council makes no representations regarding the Tenderer's financial stability, technical competence or ability in any way to carry out the required services. The right to return to any matter raised in any pretender questionnaire submitted as part of the formal tender evaluation is hereby reserved by the Council.

- 1.7 The Invitation to Tender is issued on the basis that nothing contained in it shall constitute an inducement or incentive nor shall have in any other way persuaded a tenderer to submit a tender or enter into a Contract or any other contractual agreement.
- 1.8 Shropshire Council is purchasing on behalf of itself and any wholly owned local authority company or other entity that is deemed to be a contracting authority by virtue of the Council's involvement.

2.0 Terms and Conditions

- 2.1 Every Tender received by the Council shall be deemed to have been made subject to the General Terms and Conditions and these Instructions for Tendering unless the Council shall previously have expressly agreed in writing to the contrary.
- The Tenderer is advised that in the event of their Tender being accepted by the Council, they will be required to undertake the required services.

3.0 <u>Preparation of Tenders</u>

3.1 Completing the Tender Response Document

- 3.1.1 Tenders should be submitted using the 'Tender Response Document' following the instructions given at the front of the document. The Tenderer's attention is specifically drawn to the date and time for receipt of Tenders and that no submission received after the closing time will be considered.
- **3.1.2** All documents requiring a signature must be signed;
 - a) Where the Tenderer is an individual, by that individual;
 - b) Where the Tenderer is a partnership, by two duly authorised partners;
 - c) Where the Tenderer is a company, by two directors or by a director and the secretary of the company, such persons being duly authorised for the purpose.
- 3.1.3 The Invitation to Tender Documents are and shall remain the property and copyright of the Council

3.2 Tender Preparation and Costs

- 3.2.1 It shall be the responsibility of Tenderers to obtain for themselves at their own expense all information necessary for the preparation of their Tender. No claim arising out of want of knowledge will be accepted. Any information supplied by the Council (whether in the Tender Documentation or otherwise) is supplied only for general guidance in the preparation of tenders.
- 3.2.2 Any Tenderer considering making the decision to enter into a contractual relationship with the Council must make an independent assessment of the Tender opportunity after making such investigation and taking such professional advice as it deems necessary.
- **3.2.3** Tenderers will be deemed for all purposes connected with their Tender submission where appropriate to have visited and inspected the Council, its assets, all the

locations in respect of the delivery of the services/supplies/works and to have satisfied themselves sufficiently as to the nature, extent and character of the services supplies/works sought, and the human resources, materials, software, equipment, machinery, and other liabilities and other matters which will be required to perform the contract.

- 3.2.4 The Council will not be liable for any costs incurred by Tenderers in the preparation or presentation of their tenders.
- 3.2.5 Tenderers are required to complete all pricing schedules in the Invitation to Tender documents. The terms "Nil" and "included" are not to be used but a zero or figures must be inserted against each item. Unit rates and prices must be quoted in pounds sterling and whole new pence.
- **3.2.6** It shall be the Tenderer's responsibility to ensure that all calculations and prices in the Tender documentation are correct at the time of submission.
- 3.2.7 The Tenderer is deemed to have made him/herself acquainted with the Council's requirements and tender accordingly. Should the Tenderer be in any doubt regarding the true meaning and intent of any element of the specification he is invited to have these fully resolved before submitting his Tender. No extras will be allowed for any loss or expense involved through any misunderstanding arising from his/her failure to comply with this requirement.
- 3.2.8 Any Tender error or discrepancy identified by the Council shall be drawn to the attention of the Tenderer who will be given the opportunity to correct, confirm or withdraw the Tender.
- 3.2.9 The Tender Documents must be treated as private and confidential. Tenderers should not disclose the fact that they have been invited to tender or release details of the Tender document other than on an In Confidence basis to those who have a legitimate need to know or whom they need to consult for the purpose of preparing the Tender.

3.3 Parent Company Guarantee

It is a condition of contract that if the tendering company is a subsidiary then its Ultimate Group/Holding Company must guarantee the performance of this contract and provide a letter to that effect signed by a duly authorised signatory of the Ultimate Group/Holding Company if requested to do so by the Council. Where the direct parent company cannot provide an adequate guarantee in the opinion of the Council, the Council will look to another group or associate company, with adequate assets, to be the guarantor. In cases where the contract is with a Joint Venture Company (JVC) or a Special Purpose Vehicle (SPV) company, which may have two or more parent companies and which may not be adequately capitalised or have sufficient financial strength on its own to support the risk and obligations it has under the contract, 'joint and several' guarantees / indemnities from the parent companies of the JVC or SPV may be sought.

3.4 Warranty

The Tenderer warrants that all the information given in their Tender and if applicable their Request to Participate Questionnaire is true and accurate. The information provided will be deemed to form part of any contract formed under this contract.

The Tenderer warrants that none of their current Directors have been involved in Instructions for tendering 4

4.0 <u>Tender Submission</u>

- 4.1 Tenders must be submitted strictly in accordance with the letter of instruction accompanying this Invitation to Tender using the label provided. Tenders must be submitted by the deadline of **noon**, **Friday 29**th **May 2015** via the online Delta portal.
- 4.2 No unauthorised alteration or addition should be made to the Specification and Tender Response Document, or to any other component of the Tender document. If any such alteration is made, or if these instructions are not fully complied with, the Tender may be rejected.
- **4.3** Qualified tenders may be submitted, but the Council reserves the right not to accept any such tender. The Council's decision on whether or not a Tender is acceptable will be final.
- 4.4 Tenderers should note that their Tender must remain open and valid and capable of acceptance for a period of at least 90 days.
- 4.5 Tenderers should note that Tenders and supporting documents must be written in English and that any subsequent contract, which may or may not be entered into, its formation, interpretation and performance, shall be subject to and in accordance with the laws of England and subject to the jurisdiction of the Courts of England and Wales.
- **4.6** Where Tender submissions are incomplete the Council reserves the right not to accept them.

5.0 Tender Evaluation

- 5.1 The Tenderers may be called for interview to seek clarification of their tender or additional or supplemental information in relation to their tender. The presentations will not carry any weighting to the final score achieved by Tenderers, but will be used to clarify and moderate issues raised in the Tenderer's submissions. Any areas of discrepancy between submissions and information gained from the presentations will be reviewed and scores previously awarded will be amended if necessary.
- 5.2 If the Council suspects that there has been an error in the pricing of a Tender, the Council reserves the right to seek such clarification, as it considers necessary from the Tenderer in question.

6.0 <u>Clarifications</u>

- 6.1 Tenderers are responsible for clarifying any aspects of the tendering process and/or the Invitation to Tender documents in the manner described below.
- Any queries arising in relation to this invitation to tender should be raised via our Delta Tenderbox.
- Where appropriate, the Authorised Officer named above may direct the Tenderer to other officers to deal with the matter.

- All queries should be raised as soon as possible (in writing), in any event not later than 22nd May 2015.
- All information or responses that clarify or enhance the tendering process will be supplied to all Tenderers on a uniform basis (unless expressly stated otherwise). These responses shall have the full force of this Instruction and where appropriate the Conditions of Contract. If a Tenderer wishes the Council to treat a question as confidential this must be expressly stated. The Council will consider such requests and will seek to act fairly between the Tenderers, whilst meeting its public law and procurement duties in making its decision.
- Except as directed in writing by the Authorised Officer, and confirmed in writing to a Tenderer, no agent or officer or elected Member (Councillor) of the Council has any express or implied authority to make any representation or give any explanation to Tenderers as to the meaning of any of the Tender Documents, or as to anything to be done or not to be done by a Tenderer or to give any warranties additional to those (if any) contained in the ITT or as to any other matter or thing so as to bind the Council in any way howsoever.

7.0 Continuation of the Procurement Process

- **7.1** The Council shall not be committed to any course of action as a result of:
 - i) issuing this Invitation to Tender;
 - ii) communicating with a Tenderer, a Tenderer's representative or agent in respect of this procurement exercise;
 - iii) any other communication between the Council (whether directly or through its agents or representatives) and any other party.
- 7.2 The Council reserves the right at its absolute discretion to amend, add to or withdraw all, or any part of this Invitation to Tender at any time during the tendering stage of this procurement exercise.
- 7.3 At any time before the deadline for receipt of tender returns the Council may modify the Invitation to Tender by amendment. Any such amendment shall be numbered and dated and issued by the Council to all participating tenderers. In order to give prospective Tenderers reasonable time in which to take the amendment into account in preparing its Tender return, the Council may in its sole discretion, extend the deadline for submission of the tender returns. The Council reserves the right to amend, withdraw, terminate or suspend all or any part of this procurement process at any time at its sole discretion.

8.0 <u>Confidentiality</u>

- 8.1 All information supplied by the Council in connection with or in these Tender Documents shall be regarded as confidential to the Council unless the information is already within the public domain or subject to the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act 2000.
- 8.2 The Contract documents and publications are and shall remain the property of the Council and must be returned upon demand.

- **8.3** Tenderers shall ensure that each and every sub-contractor, consortium member and/or professional advisor to whom it discloses these papers complies with the terms and conditions of this ITT.
- The contents of this Invitation to Tender are being made available by the Council on condition that:
- **8.4.1** Tenderers shall at all times treat the contents of the Invitation to Tender and any related documents as confidential, save in so far as they are already in the public domain and Tenderers shall not, subject to the provisions relating to professional advisors, sub-contractors or other persons detailed below, disclose, copy, reproduce, distribute or pass any of the contents of the Invitation to Tender to any other person at any time or allow any of these things to happen;
- **8.4.2** Tenderers shall not use any of the information contained in this Invitation to Tender for any purpose other than for the purposes of submitting (or deciding whether to submit) the tender; and
- **8.4.3** Tenderers shall not undertake any publicity activity within any section of the media.
- **8.5** Tenderers may disclose, distribute or pass this Invitation to Tender to their professional advisors, sub-contractors or to another person provided that:
- 8.5.1 this is done for the sole purpose of enabling an Invitation to Tender to be submitted and the person receiving the Information undertakes in writing to keep the Invitation to Tender confidential on the same terms as if that person were the Tenderer; or
- **8.5.2** the Tenderer obtains the prior written consent of the Council in relation to such disclosure, distribution or passing of the Invitation to Tender; or
- **8.5.3** the disclosure is made for the sole purpose of obtaining legal advice from external lawyers in relation to the procurement or to any Contract(s) which may arise from it; or
- **8.5.4** the Tenderer is legally required to make such a disclosure.
- 8.6 The Council may disclose detailed information relating to the Invitation to Tender to its officers, employees, agents, professional advisors or Governmental organisations and the Council may make any of the Contracts and procurement documents available for private inspection by its officers, employees, agents, professional advisors, contracting authorities or Governmental organisations.

9.0 Freedom of Information

- Please note that from 1 January 2005 under the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act 2000, the public (included in this are private companies, journalists, etc.) have a general right of access to information held by public authorities. One of the consequences of those new statutory responsibilities is that information about your organisation, which Shropshire Council may receive from you during this tendering process may be subject to disclosure, in response to a request, unless one of the various statutory exemptions applies.
- 9.2 In certain circumstances, and in accordance with the Code of Practice issued under section 45 of the Act, Shropshire Council may consider it appropriate to ask you for your views as to the release of any information before we make a decision as to how to respond to a request. In dealing with requests for information under

the Act, Shropshire Council has to comply with a strict timetable and it would therefore expect a timely response to any such consultation within five working days.

- 9.3 If, at any stage of this tendering process, you provide any information to Shropshire Council in the expectation that it will be held in confidence, then you must make it clear in your documentation as to the information to which you consider a duty of confidentiality applies. The use of blanket protective markings such as "commercial in confidence" will no longer be appropriate and a clear indication as to what material is to be considered confidential and why should be given.
- 9.4 Shropshire Council will not be able to accept that trivial information or information which by its very nature cannot be regarded as confidential should be subject to any obligation of confidence.
- 9.5 In certain circumstances where information has not been provided in confidence, Shropshire Council may still wish to consult with you as to the application of any other exemption such as that relating to disclosure that will prejudice the commercial interests of any party. However the decision as to what information will be disclosed will be reserved to Shropshire Council.

For guidance on this issue see: http://www.ico.gov.uk

10.0 <u>Disqualification</u>

- **10.1** The Council reserves the right to reject or disqualify a Tenderer's Tender submission where:
- 10.1.1 The tenderer fails to comply fully with the requirements of this Invitation to Tender or is in breach of clause 15 of the Council's General Terms and Conditions relating to Bribery and Corruption or is guilty of a serious or intentional or reckless misrepresentation in supplying any information required; or
- **10.1.2** The tenderer is guilty of serious or intentional or reckless misrepresentation in relation to its tender return and/or the procurement process.
- 10.1.3 The tenderer directly or indirectly canvasses any member, official or agent of the Council concerning the award of the contract or who directly or indirectly obtains or attempts to obtain information from any such person concerning any other Tender or proposed Tender for the services. The Canvassing Certificate must be completed and returned as instructed.

10.1.4 The Tenderer:

- a) Fixes or adjusts the amount of his Tender by or in accordance with any agreement or arrangements with any other person; or
- b) Communicates to any person other than the Council the amount or approximate amount of his proposed Tender (except where such disclosure is made in confidence in order to obtain quotations necessary for preparation of the Tender for insurance purposes); or
- c) Enters into an agreement or arrangement with any other person that he shall refrain from tendering or as to the amount of any Tender to be

submitted; or

- d) Offers or agrees to pay or give or does pay or gives any sum of money, inducement or valuable consideration directly or indirectly to any person for doing or having done or causing or having caused to be done in relation to any Tender or proposed Tender for the services any act or omission.
- Any disqualification will be without prejudice to any other civil remedies available to the Council and without prejudice to any criminal liability which such conduct by a Tenderer may attract. The Non-Collusive Tendering Certificate must be completed and returned as instructed.
- The Council reserves the right to disqualify an Applicant from further participating in this procurement process where there is a change in the control or financial stability of the Tenderer at any point in the process up to award of a contract and such change of control or financial stability has a materially adverse effect on the Tenderer's financial viability or ability to otherwise meet the requirements of the procurement process.

11.0 <u>E-Procurement</u>

As part of its procurement strategy Shropshire Council is committed to the use of technology that can improve the efficiency of procurement. Successful Tenderers may be required to send or receive documents electronically. This may include purchase orders, acknowledgements, invoices, payment advices, or other procurement documentation. These will normally be in the Council's standard formats, but may be varied under some circumstances so as not to disadvantage small and medium suppliers.

12.0 Award of Contract

12.1 Award Criteria

The Award Criteria has been set out within the Tender Response Document accompanying this invitation to tender. The Council is not bound to accept the lowest or any Tender.

12.2 Award Notice

The Council will publish the name and addresses of the successful Tenderers in the Official Journal of the European Union (OJEU) where appropriate. The Contracting Authority reserves the right to pass all information regarding the outcome of the Tendering process to the Office of Fair Trading to assist in the discharge of its duties. Additionally, the Council will adhere to the requirements of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 and Tenderers should note this statutory obligation.

12.3 Transparency of Expenditure

Further to it's obligations regarding transparency of expenditure, the Council may also be required to publish information regarding tenders, contracts and expenditure to the general public, which could include the text of any such

documentation, except for any information which is exempt from disclosure in accordance with the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act to be determined at the absolute discretion of the Council.

13.0 <u>Value of Contract</u>

The value of this contract currently is approximately £134,000 per annum however Shropshire Council cannot give any guarantee in relation to this value going forward. This sum has been calculated using a 12 month usage figure (Feb 14-Jan 15) which includes an increase associated with the universal infant free school meal initiative that was launched in September 2014.

14.0 Acceptance

- 14.1 Tenders must be submitted strictly in accordance with the terms of the Council's Invitation to Tender documentation and acceptance of the tender shall be conditional on compliance with this Tender Condition.
- The Tender documentation including, the General and Special Terms and Conditions of Contract, the Tender Response document, these Instructions to Tender, together with the formal written acceptance by the Council will form a binding agreement between the Contractor and the Council.
- 14.3 The Tenderer shall be prepared to commence the provision of the supply and services on the start date of the contract arrangement being 1st August 2015.

15.0 Payment Terms

Tenderers should particularly note that the principles governing public procurement require that, as far as is reasonably possible, payments for Goods, Works or Services are made after the provision. Therefore any indication of a pricing strategy within a Tender which provides for substantial payments at the outset of the Contract will be examined carefully to decide whether or not a Tender in such form can be accepted. If in the opinion of the Council such substantial payments appear excessive in relation to the requirements of the Contract the Council reserves, without prejudice to any other right to reject any Tender it may have, the right to require the Tenderer to spread such proportion of the costs as are considered excessive over the duration of the Contract.

16.0 Special Terms and Conditions

16.1 Operation of Contract

Tenderers are required to submit prices on the basis of a cost price plus an oncost. The oncost is to include **all expenses** incurred in the delivery of all ordered items to each establishment and any other costs associated with the execution of the contract. The Contractor(s) will be required to maintain the rate of oncost throughout the period of the arrangement.

For evaluation purposes, prices must be detailed in the Pricing Schedules included in section H of the tender response document. Prices to be tendered should be those applying at 1st April 2015.

16.2 <u>Acceptance of Tender</u>

- a) The acceptance of any tender or part of any tender, will create a Standing Offer for the contractor(s) to supply and deliver kitchen disposables and light equipment to the Authority in accordance with the terms and conditions contained herein the General Terms and Conditions and at the prices agreed.
- b) The Contracting Authority reserves the right to purchase goods of the type specified from other suppliers if it deems necessary.

16.3 Award of Contract

The Award Criteria has been set out within the Tender Response Document accompanying this invitation to tender. The Council is not bound to accept the lowest or any Tender.

16.4 Values/Quantities

Any values or quantities given in this Invitation to Tender are estimates and for guidance only. The Contracting Authority is not bound by these estimates and there are no maximum or minimum limits to the orders that may be placed by the Contracting Authority's Distributor(s). The Contracting Authority can give no guarantees in respect of the likely values to be seen under any contract

16.5 Prices

a) The basis of the arrangement will be the Contractor's cost price plus "oncost".

The percentage "oncost" shall cover all costs involved in operating the contract including delivery.

Oncost tendered must remain firm for the duration of the contract.

Tenderers are required to submit prices for the complete range of kitchen disposables and light equipment detailed in question 1.5 of section E (for the appropriate Lot tendered for), which will form the price to be charged on each invoice. This price should be all-inclusive and INCLUDE the oncost stated in question 1.1 but be exclusive of VAT.

The contractor's purchase price used in the calculation for the tendered price in question 1.5 Section E must be nett of all discounts, rebates, bonuses and volume or turnover based discount or over-riders. Prices tendered will form the basis for all future prices and the Authority will require documentary proof of prices paid and supply arrangements. The products offered should where possible, be those specified in the schedule. If, however, you are unable to offer the brand specified, you may offer an equivalent branded products.

- b) The tendered prices must be exclusive of VAT and must include all packing charges (including bags, cases, cans, drums and other containers).
- c) The Contracting Authority reserves the right to negotiate nominated contract arrangements deemed to be desirable from time to time. These may be greater than or less than those currently negotiated by the Contracting Authority at its complete discretion.
- d) The Contracting Authority reserves the right for its nominated representative

to inspect the Contractor's purchasing arrangements, insurance policies, invoices, accounts and all other relevant contract documents during the month following submission of the tender and at any time during the period of the Standing Offer Arrangement.

16.6 **Price Verification**

- 16.6.1 The prices quoted as at 1st August 2015 form the basis of the Arrangement but as prices may change during the lifetime of the arrangement, the procedure for price variation will be as follows:-
- The Supply and Delivery of Kitchen Disposables and Light Equipment Price variations for kitchen disposables and light equipment will be implemented at annual intervals (in line with the contract anniversary date), following agreement between the Contractor and the Contracting Authority and subject to the Contractor providing one month prior written notice of change.

Any request for a variation of price outside of the annual review will also require one month prior written notice. As detailed in paragraph 16.5a, the Authority reserves the right to request documentary proof of (the Contractor) prices paid and supply arrangements. Any price variation not linked to the supply chain would need to be evidenced and justified in full.

- 16.6.3 Tenderers are reminded that the contract price is the cost price plus the oncost quoted. **Price reductions must be passed on in the same way as price increases**. If it comes to the notice of the Contracting Authority that any price variation has not been passed on, this will be deemed sufficiently serious to justify termination of the Standing Offer Arrangement.
- In order to verify any price movements the Contracting Authority or its representatives will notify the Contractor of those products they wish to see invoices for and will arrange to visit the supplier during the fourteen days prior to implementation. They may also on such visits require sight of provision invoices or any other invoices for goods supplied.

16.7 **Specification**

- a) Goods supplied shall be of satisfactory quality and be fit for the purpose for which they are to be used.
- b) Goods supplied must conform as to quantity, quality and description with the particulars stated in the Standing Offer Arrangement and the purchase order.
- c) All goods supplied must be at least to the standard specified in any appropriate British Standard Specification or British Code of Practice or EU Equivalents. Where specifications or Codes of Practice are amended during the period of offer the Contractor must supply to the new standard.
- d) All packages must be marked with the correct description of the packaged item, and where appropriate a list of the ingredients must be shown.

16.8 <u>Variation of Specification</u>

The Contractor shall not alter the specification of any goods, except as directed in writing by the Contracting Authority but the Contracting Authority has the right, from time to time, during the execution of the Standing Offer Arrangements by notice in writing to direct the Contractor to add or omit, or otherwise vary, the goods and the Contractor shall carry out such variations and be bound by the same conditions, so far as applicable, as though the said variations were stated in the original Standing Offer Arrangement.

Where the Contractor receives any such direction from the Contracting Authority which would occasion an amendment to the Standing Offer price, the Contractor shall, with all possible speed, advise the Contracting Authority in writing to that effect giving the amount of any such amendments, ascertained and determined at the same level of pricing as that contained in the Contractor's tender.

If, in the opinion of the Contractor, any such direction is likely to prevent the Contractor from fulfilling any of his obligations under the Standing Offer Arrangement, he shall notify the Contracting Authority and the Contracting Authority shall decide with all possible speed, whether or not the same shall be carried out and shall confirm his instructions in writing and modify the said obligations to such an extent as may be justified. Until the Contracting Authority so confirm their instructions they shall be deemed to have not been given.

16.13 Quality Assurance

The Contractor shall establish and maintain an adequate documented quality system as a means to demonstrate his continuing ability to meet the contract specifications.

The Contractor will also co-operate fully at all times with the Trading Standards Service by allowing them access to all relevant information and personnel to enable them to undertake periodic audits of the Quality Assurance System. The Quality Assurance System must meet the approval of the Trading Standards Service

16.14 Analysis

The Contracting Authority will be at liberty to apply any tests or cause any analyses to be made for the purpose of ascertaining the quality of kitchen disposables and light equipment being supplied. Should the result of such test or analyses indicate that the kitchen disposables and light equipment are not equal to the standard specified, the charges for such tests or analyses shall be met by the Contractor.

The Contractor will also co-operate fully with the Trading Standards Service by allowing them access to their premises, and, whilst there, allowing them access to any relevant other documentation and process procedures, and also the freedom to take any samples required to ascertain that products comply with all relevant regulations and conditions of contract. The Contractor must ensure that these facilities are available to the Trading Standards Service whether the Contractor is the manufacturer of the product supplied or not.

16.15 Inspection of Goods and Premises

- (a) The Contractor will allow the Contracting Authority, any of its staff and appropriate personnel to inspect any delivery ticket and to check the quality and/or quantity of the goods at the premises of the Contractor, before despatch, during transit or at the place of delivery. The Contractor, his agents and servants shall give the Contracting Authority and its staff all reasonable assistance to enable them to check the quantity and/or quality of the goods or to inspect the Contractor's premises.
- (b) The Contracting Authority may submit samples of the goods to a public analyst or to a recognised testing house for examination. If the goods submitted are certified not to be of the quality or specification ordered, the Contracting Authority may reject the whole consignment from which the samples were taken. In addition, samples may be taken in the manner prescribed by the Food Safety Act 1990 by the Trading Standards Service.

The rights of the Contracting Authority under the Standing Offer Arrangement will not be prejudiced if analyses or tests are not carried out.

16.16 **Orders**

- (a) The Contractor will be required to provide printed order forms for use by the Authority. These will list the items agreed by the Contracting Authority in consultations with representatives in the Authority's user departments. A separate price list will be made available to indicate the range of additional items that may be ordered by establishments.
- (b) The Contracting Authority may place orders for the supply of goods at the terms agreed at any time during the period of offer and the placing of each order constitutes an acceptance of the Standing Offer and thus creates a contract for the supply of those items so ordered.
- (c) The Contractor may be required to introduce a system of electronic ordering during the lifetime of the arrangement. Any such system will be in accordance with a format/procedure determined by the Authority and at no cost to the Authority.
- (d) The Contracting Authority will not hold itself responsible or be liable for payment for goods unless requisitioned by an official order signed by an authorised officer of that Authority. In the case of any emergency the Contractor will supply on the oral instruction given on behalf of the Authority which will be confirmed by the Authority on an official order. If the Contractor does not receive such confirmation within two days he should notify the appropriate Head of Service or establishment.

16.17 Storage and Delivery

(a) Upon receipt of official orders from the Contracting Authority, the Contractor will supply and deliver the goods required in accordance with the agreed prices and conditions. The Contractor must, at all times, comply with any statutory requirements in force at that time.

- (b) Deliveries must be made fully in accordance with the requirements of the Contracting Authority. All vehicles used for the delivery of services should conform to Euro IV emission standards or be a low emission vehicle (as defined by exemption from the London congestion charge). Use of pre Euro and Euro I, II & III vehicles will not be acceptable in any circumstances.
- (c) Shropshire is a rural, sparsely populated county with some schools accessible by narrow country lanes only which can be difficult to navigate for an inappropriate vehicle. All tenderers must ensure they have a fleet which can ensure delivery to sites within the stipulated timescales regardless of location or frequency.
- (d) The Contractor will exercise due care and attention when making deliveries to the Contracting Authority. Where possible, all delivery vehicles should be fitted with reverse warning hooters, and drivers must ensure the highest standards of safety during deliveries.
- (e) The number of deliveries to each site will vary depending on each sites requirements.

Deliveries to school kitchens must be made on Mondays to Fridays between the hours of 9.00 am and 2.00 pm. No deliveries outside these hours will be permitted unless agreed with the Authority where local arrangements are put in place.

Deliveries to other establishments will be required to be made on Mondays to Fridays at times agreed with a responsible officer at each establishment.

Most school kitchens will only normally require deliveries during term times (approximately forty weeks per year) but occasional deliveries during school holidays may be required.

Some school kitchens and other establishments may require a delivery service for the full 52 weeks of the year.

Additionally, a delivery will be required to all schools on the same day in September (usually the day prior to the start of term) every year during this arrangement.

(g) The goods ordered are to be delivered free of charge at the risk of the Contractor, to the delivery point(s) specified in the purchase order. The goods must be off loaded by the Contractor and placed in position as directed. If goods are incorrectly delivered, the Contractor will be held responsible for any additional expense incurred in delivering the goods to their correct destination.

<u>Important</u> - No alternative products should be substituted without the prior written approval of the Authority's representative.

All alternative or substitute items are to be charged at the same price as the contracted item.

- If, for any reason, the Contractor fails to deliver to individual establishments on the scheduled delivery day, the Contractor must deliver the goods on the next working day.
- (h) The Contracting Authority disclaim all responsibility for the security of goods delivered and left on the premises of the Authority by the Contractor. Goods must not be left unattended and the delivery driver must obtain a signature from the Authority's authorised representative.
- (i) The risk on the goods will remain with the Contractor until the goods are delivered and accepted. Notwithstanding, any receipt issued, the goods will not be deemed to have been accepted until the Authority's representative has had a reasonable opportunity to examine them.
- (j) If the Contractor requires the return of any container in which the goods are delivered, the Contractor will clearly indicate the requirement on the container, delivery note and invoice. Containers will be returned by the Authority only at the Contractor's expense. There will be no liability on the part of the Authority for any loss of, or damage to, containers and it will be the Contractor's responsibility to remove all containers on subsequent deliveries.
- (k) For the purpose of this contract all deliveries made will be deemed to be retail sales.
- (I) The personal hygiene of the driver must be of the highest standard and clean protective clothing must be worn. Smoking will not be permitted during the actual delivery. The vehicle interior shall be maintained in a clean hygienic condition as should all the storage equipment used in the vehicle. The Contractor shall ensure that the interior is cleaned daily.
 - All contractor's personnel entering an establishment, must be easily identifiable by way of an identity badge showing their name, photograph and which company they represent.
- (m) All deliveries, where required must comply with the Food Safety (General Food Hygiene) Regulations 2013.

16.18 <u>Delivery Notes</u>

All supplies of kitchen disposables and light equipment made to individual establishments against this contract must be accompanied by a delivery note from the supplier stating (as appropriate):

THE CONTRACTOR'S NAME AND ADDRESS

THE DELIVERY POINT ADDRESS

THE PURCHASE ORDER NUMBER

THE DATE OF DELIVERY

THE CORRECT DESCRIPTION OF THE GOODS BEING SUPPLIED INCLUDING

THE NUMBER OR WEIGHT OF EACH ITEM

One copy of the delivery note is to be retained by the representative of the Authority, authorised to accept delivery. The other copy is to be signed and returned to the Contractor by the said representative.

16.19 Payment

(a) School Kitchens

Payment in respect of deliveries to school kitchens may be made to the Contractor by electronic payment system, with payment being made by the Contracting Authority within 7 days if an electronic payment system is implemented. This electronic payment will be made under a format/procedure which is acceptable to the Contracting Authority. Tenderers are required to submit their detailed proposals within the tender response document.

The Contractor will be required to offer an extra discount to the Contracting Authority for payment ahead of the Contractor's normal trading terms on the implementation of a direct billing system.

The processing of credit notes will also be included in this electronic payment system.

(b) Other Establishments

Payment in respect of deliveries to other establishments will be made in accordance with the following, although during the lifetime of the arrangement it is possible that they may also wish to make payment by electronic payment as detailed in a) above.

Invoices

An invoice bearing the same information as the delivery note, together with all prices calculated and totalled, must be sent with the goods direct to the individual establishment/delivery point when the goods are delivered.

Payment of the invoices will be due at the end of the next complete calendar month following date of delivery, or as otherwise agreed by the Authority and the Contractor.

Credit Notes

In the event of non-delivery of goods identified as damaged at the time of receipt, or not delivered for any other reason, the driver will be required to issue an instant credit note in respect of the items concerned. This procedure will ensure that no delay in payment occurs whilst awaiting credit.

16.20 <u>Information to be supplied</u>

The Contractor will supply the following information:

- (a) Data on a annual basis of all products purchased by the individual Authority showing the quantity and value in that year both for individual items and in total.
- (b) The Authority reserves the right to request the above information for any time frame at any frequency (should this be required) giving details of products delivered to individual establishments using the arrangement.

This information should be presented throughout the period of the contract, in a format which is acceptable to Shropshire Council.

Should the Contractor fail to provide the required usage information, the Contractor will be deemed to be in breach of contract. It is considered that such a breach will be sufficient for the contract to be terminated.

- (c) There may be requirements during the period of the Standing Offer Arrangement for the Contractor to provide other statistical information relevant to the operation of this contract.
- (d) Sufficient copies of any or all of the above information may be required from the Contractor for circulation to user Authority.

16.21 Packaging

All products must be packaged and wrapped sufficiently to protect the product from damage and contamination during storage and delivery. Where a manufacturer has recommended a particular storage method, this shall be adhered to by the Contractor. All packaging in contact with food is to comply with The Materials and Articles in Contact with Food (England) Regulations 2012.

Damaged or broken packaging will not be accepted.

16.22 Rejection of Goods

- (a) The Contracting Authority or its representatives have the power to reject any goods if in their opinion, the Contractor has not complied with all Terms and Conditions relating to the Standing Offer Arrangement.
- (b) Where possible notice of rejection will be given on the day of delivery, by any means considered appropriate by the Contracting Authority.
- (c) In the event of rejection the Contractor will:
 - (i) immediately replace the goods with those of the required quality/specification;
 - (ii) remove the rejected goods at the Contractor's own expense within 7 days of rejection.

Any rejected goods which have not been removed within 7 days will be disposed of by the Contracting Authority and the Contractor will be charged with all expenses incurred. The Contracting Authority will not be liable for any loss or expenses suffered by the Contractor as a result of disposal. Any replacement or removal of goods shall not prejudice any other action that the Contracting Authority may take.

16.23 Power to Purchase Elsewhere

If the Contractor fails to deliver the goods on time or if he fails to comply with any of the Terms and Conditions relating to the Standing Offer Arrangement, the Contracting Authority will be entitled to purchase elsewhere. The Contractor may offer alternative goods after discussion with the Contracting Authority. Any additional costs incurred by the Contracting Authority over the agreed price will be repaid by the Contractor without prejudice to any other action that may be taken.

16.24 Establishment Listing

- (a) The Authority reserves the right to withdraw or include any establishments either on a temporary or permanent basis to this arrangement as necessary.
- (b) Details of establishments covered by the standing offer arrangement are detailed on the Schedule of Delivery Points and are correct at the present time, but may alter to take account of any changes and other legislation which may occur during the lifetime of the standing offer arrangement

16.25 Delegation

The Contractor shall not delegate the whole or part of this Standing Offer Arrangement to any other person or company without the prior approval of the Contracting Authority.

16.26 Counter Inflation Legislation

It is a requirement that the Contractor shall not breach any Counter Inflation and/or Price Legislation in force at the time.

16.27 **Sustainability**

The contractor will at all times use their best endeavours to assist the Contracting Authority and operate themselves in a manner which meets the aims and objectives set out in the sustainable policies of Shropshire Council, copies of which are available on the Council's website.

16.28 Extension of Arrangement

Subject to satisfactory service being received, this standing offer arrangement shall apply for a period of up to 2 years. The Contracting Authority reserves the right to extend the arrangement at their total discretion for a further period of up to 2 years.

17.0 <u>Liability of Council</u>

- 17.1 The Council does not bind himself to accept the lowest or any tender.
- 17.2 The Council does not accept any responsibility for any pre-tender representations made by or on its behalf or for any other assumptions that Tenderers may have drawn or will draw from any pre-tender discussions.
- 17.3 The Council shall not be liable to pay for any preparatory work or other work undertaken by the Tenderer for the purposes of, in connection with or incidental to this Invitation to Tender, or submission of its Tender response or any other communication between the Council and any other party as a consequence of the issue of this Invitation to Tender.
- 17.4 The Council shall not be liable for any costs or expenses incurred by any Tenderer in connection with the preparation of a Tender return for this procurement exercise, its participation in this procurement whether this procurement is completed, abandoned or suspended.

Whilst the Tender Documents have been prepared in good faith, they do not purport to be comprehensive nor to have been formally verified. Neither the Council nor any of its staff, agents, elected Members, or advisers accepts any liability or responsibility for the adequacy, accuracy or completeness of any information given, nor do they make any representation or given any warranty, express or implied, with respect to the Tender Documents or any matter on which either of these is based (including, without limitation, any financial details contained within the Specification and Contract Documentation). Any liability is hereby expressly disclaimed save in the event of fraud, or in the event of specific warranties provided within the Contract Documentation.

18.0 Declaration

We, as acknowledged by the signature of our authorised representative, accept these Instructions to Tender as creating a contract between ourselves and the Council. We hereby acknowledge that any departure from the Instructions to Tender may cause financial loss to the Council.

Signed (1)		Status
Signed (2)		Status
(For and or	n behalf of)
Data		,



IMC 159 – SUPPLY AND DELIVERY OF KITCHEN DISPOSABLES AND LIGHT EQUIPMENT

SCHEDULE OF DELIVERY POINTS

School/Site

Albrighton Primary School
New House Lane, ALBRIGHTON
Wolverhampton WV7 3QS
Alveley Primary School
Daddlebrook Road, Alveley BRIDGNORTH WV15 6JT
Belvidere Primary School Tenbury Drive, Telford Estate
SHREWSBURY SY2 5YB
Bicton C E Primary School
Bicton Lane, Bicton
SHREWSBURY SY3 8EH
Bishop's Castle Primary School
Oak Meadow, BISHOP'S CASTLE SY9 5AY
Bitterley CE Primary School
Bitterley, LUDLOW SY8 3HF
Bomere Heath CE Primary School
SHREWSBURY SY4 3PQ
Broseley CE Primary School
Dark Lane, BROSELEY, Telford TF12 5LW
Brown Clee CE Primary School Station Road, Ditton Priors, BRIDGNORTH WV16 5SS
Bryn Offa CE Primary School
Rockwell Lane, Pant, OSWESTRY SY10 9QR
Buildwas Primary School
Buildwas, TELFÓRD TF8 7DA
Castlefields Primary School
Castlefields, BRIDGNORTH WV16 5DQ
Christ Church CE Primary School
Sheinton Road, CRESSAGE SY5 6DH
Church Preen Primary School CHURCH STRETTON SY6 7LH
Claverley CE Primary School
WOLVERHAMPTON WV5 7DT
Cleobury Mortimer Primary School
Love Lane, Cleobury Mortimer, WORCESTER DY14 8PE
Coleham Primary School
Greyfriars Road, SHREWSBURY SY3 7EN
Corvedale CE Primary School
Diddlebury, CRAVEN ARMS SY7 9DH
Dorrington CE Primary School Church Road, DORRINGTON SY5 7JL
Church Road, DORRINGTON SY5 7JL Ellesmere Primary School
Elson Road, ELLESMERE SY12 0BE
Gobowen Primary School
OSWESTRY SÝ11 3LD
Grange Primary School
Bainbridge Green, York Road
SHREWSBURY, SY1 3QR
Greenacres Primary School

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Rutland, SHREWSBURY SY1 3QG
Greenfields Primary School
Hemsworth Way, Ellesmere Road, SHREWSBURY SY1
2QS
Harlescott Junior School
Featherbed Lane, SHREWSBURY SY1 4QN
Hinstock Primary School
MARKET DRAYTON TF9 2TE
Holy Trinity C E Primary School
Middleton Road, OSWESTRY SY11 2LF
Hope CE Primary School
Minsterley, SHREWSBURY SY5 0JB
John Wilkinson Primary School
Coalport Road, Broseley, TELFORD TF12 5AN
Kinnerley CE Primary School
OSWESTRY SY11 3DH
Longden CE Primary School
Plealey Road, Longden, SHREWSBURY SY5 8EX
Longlands Primary School
Linden Way, Fairfields, MARKET DRAYTON TF9 1QU
Ludlow Infants School
Sandpits Road, LUDLOW SY8 1HG
Ludlow Junior School
Clee View, LUDLOW SY8 1HX
Market Drayton Junior School
Alexandra Road, MARKET DRAYTON TF9 3HU
The Meadows Primary School
Harlech Road, OSWESTRY SY11 2EA
Meole Brace Primary and Nursery School
Church Road, Meole Brace, SHREWSBURY SY3 9HG
Mereside C E Primary School
Children's Way, Wenlock Road
SHREWSBURY SY2 6LE
Minsterley Primary School
Minsterley, SHREWSBURY SY5 0BE
Morda CE School
OSWESTRY SY10 9NR
Moreton Say CE Primary School
MARKET DRAYTON TF9 3RS
Mount Pleasant Junior School
Whitemere Road, SHREWSBURY SY1 3BY
Much Wenlock Primary School
Racecourse Lane, MUCH WENLOCK TF13 6JG
Myddle CE Primary School
SHREWSBURY SY4 3RP
Newtown CE Primary School
WEM SY4 5NU
Norton-in-Hales CE Primary School
MARKET DRAYTON TF9 4AT
Oakmeadow Primary School
Bayston Hill, SHREWSBURY SY3 0NU
Our Lady & St Oswald's Catholic
Primary School, Upper Brook Street, OSWESTRY SY11
2TG

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Oxon CE Primary School
Racecourse Lane, Bicton Heath, SHREWSBURY SY3 5BJ
Pontesbury CE Primary School
Bogey Lane, Pontesbury, SHREWSBURY SY5 0TF
Prees CE Primary School
Cross End, PREES SY13 2ER
Radbrook Primary School
Bank Farm Road, SHREWSBURY SY3 6DU
St Andrew's CE Primary School
Park Lane, SHIFNAL TF11 9HD
St George's CE Primary School
Clun, CRAVEN ARMS SY7 8JQ
St George's Junior School
Woodfield Road, SHREWSBURY SY3 8LU
St John's Catholic Primary School
Innage Lane, BRIDGNORTH WV16 4HW
St John the Baptist C E Primary School
School Road, RUYTON XI TOWNS SY4 1JT
St Laurence CE Primary School
Jockeyfields, LUDLOW SY8 1TP
St Lawrence CE Primary School Shrewsbury Road, CHURCH STRETTON SY6 6EX
St Leonard's CE Primary School
Innage Lane, BRIDGNORTH WV16 4HL
St Lucia's C E Primary School
Upton Magna, SHREWSBURY SY4 4TZ
St Martins 3-16 Learning Community
Primary Campus, St Martins
OSWESTRY SY11 3DH
St Mary's CE Primary School
Shaw Lane, Albrighton, WOLVERHAMPTON WV7 3DS
St Mary's CE Primary School
Dawson's Rough, Shawbury, SHREWSBURY SY4 4PF
St Mary's CE Primary School
Westbury, SHREWSBURY SY5 9QX
Shrewsbury Cathedral Catholic Primary School
New Park Road, Castlefields, SHREWSBURY SY1 2SP
St Thomas & St Anne's
CE Primary School, Hanwood, SHREWSBURY SY5 8JN
Shifnal Primary School
Currier's Lane, Shifnal, TELFORD TF11 8EJ
Stokesay Primary School
Market Street, CRAVEN ARMS SY7 9NW
Sundorne Infant School
Corndon Crescent, Sundorne Road, SHREWSBURY SY1
4LE
Trinity CE Primary School
Ford, SHREWSBURY SY5 9LG
Weston Rhyn Primary School
OSWESTRY SY10 7SR
Whitchurch CE Junior School
Salisbury Road, WHITCHURCH SY13 1RX
Whittington CE Primary School
OSWESTRY SY11 4DA
Whixall CE Primary School

WHITCHURCH	SY13 2SB
The Wilfred Owe	en School a
The Monkmoor (Campus, W

The Monkmoor Campus, Woodcote Way, Monkmoor,

SHREWSBURY SY2 5SH

Wistanstow CE Primary School

CRAVEN ARMS SY7 8DQ

Woodfield Road, Copthorne, SHREWSBURY SY3 8LU

Woodside Primary School

Woodfield Infant School

Gittin Street, Woodside, OSWESTRY SY11 1DT

Woore Primary School CREWE CW3 9SQ

Worthen CE Primary School

Worthen, SHREWSBURY SY5 9HT

Belvidere School

Crowmere Road, SHREWSBURY SY2 5LA

Church Stretton School – A Specialist Technology College Shrewsbury Road, CHURCH STRETTON SY6 6EX

The Community College

Brampton Road, BISHOP'S CASTLE SY9 5AY

The Corbet School

Technology College, Baschurch, SHREWSBURY SY4 2AX

Grange School – A Visual & Performing Arts College

Worcester Road, SHREWSBURY SY1 3LP

Idsall School

Coppice Green Lane, SHIFNAL TF11 8PD

Lacon Childe School

Love Lane, CLEOBURY MORTIMER DY14 8PE

Lakelands School, Sports & Language College

Oswestry Road, ELLESMERE SY12 0EA

The Marches School and Technology College

Morda Road, OSWESTRY SY11 2AR

Mary Webb School & Science College

Pontesbury, SHREWSBURY SY5 0TG

Meole Brace School Science College

Longden Road, SHREWSBURY SY3 9DW

Sir John Talbot's Technology College

Tilstock Road, WHITCHURCH SY13 2BY

Thomas Adams School

Lowe Hill, WEM SY4 5UB

Ruscoe Centre

c/o Adams School, WEM SY4 5UB

Shirehall Catering Service

The Shirehall, Abbey Foregate, SHREWSBURY SY2 6ND

The Gateway Coffee Shop

Chester Street, SHREWSBURY SY1 1NB

Non-Shropshire Sites

Bentley West Primary School

Monmouth Road, WALSALL WS2 0EQ

Bunbury & Aldersey C E Primary School

School Lane, Bunbury

TARPORLEY CW6 1NR

Christ Church C E Drimany Cahael
Christ Church C E Primary School Harden Road, Leamore
WALSALL WS3 1EN
King Charles Primary School Wilkes Avenue, WALSALL WS2 0JN
Pelsall Village School
Old Town Lane, WALSALL WS3 4NJ
St James Primary School
Great Charles Street, Brownhills
WALSALL WS8 6AE
Whitehall Infant & Nursery School
West Bromwich Road, WALSALL WS1 3HS
Wistaston Church Lane Primary School
Church Lane, Wistaston,
CREWE CW2 8EZ
Wombridge Primary School
Hartshill, Oakengates
TELFORD TF2 6AN
Batchley First School
Cherry Tree Walk, Batchley
REDDITCH B97 6PD
Hartlebury C E Primary School
The Village, Hartlebury
KIDDERMINSTER DY11 7TD
Matchborough First School
Matchborough Way, REDDITCH B98 0GD
Perdiswell Primary School
Bilford Road, WORCESTER WR3 8QA
Perry Wood Primary & Nursery School
St. Albans Close, WORCESTER WR5 1PP
Tenbury C E Primary School
Bromyard Road, TENBURY WELLS WR15 8BS
Eirias High School
Eirias Road, COLWYN BAY LL29 7SP
Charlton School
Severn Drive, Wellington
TELFORD TF1 3LE
Bryn Elian High School
Windsor Drive, Old Colwyn
COLWYN BAY LL29 8HU
Ysgol Emrys Ap Iwan
Faenol Avenue, Abergele
CONWY LL22 7HE
Aylestone Business & Enterprise College
Broadlands House, Broadlands Lane
HEREFORD HR1 1HY
The Bewdley School and Sixth Form Centre
Stourport Road, BEWDLEY, Worcestershire DY12 1BL
Catshill Middle School
Meadow Road, Bromsgrove, WORCESTER B61 0JW
Chantry High School
Martley, WORCESTER WR6 6QA
Dyson Perrins CE High School
Yates Hay Road, MALVERN, Worcestershire WR14 1WD
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Hagley RC High School
Brake Lane, HAGLEY, Worcestershire DY8 2XL
Hereford College of Arts
Folly Lane, HEREFORD HR11LT
Hereford College of Arts
College Road Campus, College Road
HEREFORD HR1 1EB
Hereford Sixth Form College
Folly Lane, HEREFORD HR1 1LU
Ipsley C E RSA Academy
Winyates Way, Winyates West, REDDITCH B98 0UB
John Masefield High School & Sixth Form Centre
Mabel's Furlong, LEDBURY, Herefordshire HR8 2HF
King Charles I Secondary School & Sixth Form Centre
Lower School, Borrington Road
KIDDERMINSTER DY10 3ED
King Charles I Secondary School & Sixth Form Centre
Upper School, Comberton Road
KIDDERMINSTER DY10 1XA
Witton Middle School
Old Coach Road, DROITWICH SPA WR9 8BD

Product Description	Indicative Item Usage*
12 CUP MUFFIN PAN N-STICK 35 x 26.2 x 2.9 cm	203
BAKEPAN & LID 40.9 x 26.7 x 3.2 cm	98
BOILING POT & LID G/BASE 28 cm 11.5 Ltr	9
BOILING POT & LID G/BASE 30 cm 14.0 Ltr	9
BOILING POT & LID G/BASE 36 cm 24.5 Ltr	5
BOILING POT & LID M/DUTY 30 cm 14.0 Ltr	13
BOILING POT & LID M/DUTY 36 cm 24.5 Ltr	6
BOX F/F 30 x 30 x 18 cm 10 Ltr	75
CART UTILITY X-TRA RUBBERMAID BLACK	1
CHEESE BOARD DELUXE	9
CHILLER PLATE 1/1 SIZE	2
COFFEE POT INSULATED BLACK 2.0 Ltr	113
COFFEE POT INSULATED WHITE 2.0 Ltr	98
CONTACT GRILL DOUBLE RIBBED TOP PLATE	3
COVER CLEAR FOR WIDE RIM RECT. PLATTER 43 X 33 cm	10
DISH BAKING SMALL RECT. 12 x 25 cm 1.0 Ltr	12
DISH SERVING DEEP 1/2 SIZE 31 x 23 10 cm	8
DISH SERVING DEEP 1/2 SIZE 51 x 25 10 CIII DISH SERVING DEEP 2/4 SIZE 50 x 16 x 10 cm	8
DISH TULIP DELI CROCK BLACK 2.3 Kg	121
DISHWASHER CUTLERY RACK 8 SECTION	18
DISHWASHER PLATE RACK	26
FORK DESSERT STAINLESS STEEL Pk 12	1599
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G/NORM CERAMIC BLACK 1/2 x 60 mm	10
G/NORM CERAMIC BLUE 1/2 x 60 mm GASTRONORM LID ST/STEEL 1/1 SIZE	110
GASTRONORM LID ST/STEEL 1/1 SIZE	581
GASTRONORM LID ST/STEEL 1/2 SIZE	268
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GASTRONORM ST/STEEL 1/1 x 100 mm	57
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GASTRONORM ST/STEEL 1/2 x 100 mm	100
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GASTRONORM ST/STEEL 1/2 x 65 mm GASTRONORM ST/STEEL 1/3 x 100 mm	160
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GASTRONORM ST/STEEL PERFORATED 1/2 x 65 mm GASTRONORM ST/STEEL 1/1 x 150 mm	28
GASTRONORM ST/STEEL 1/1 x 130 HIIII GASTRONORM ST/STEEL PERFORATED 1/1 x 65 mm	164
GRAPEFRUIT BOWL BLACK TILE 15 cm	470
GRAPEFRUIT BOWL SPANISH TILE 15 cm	2715
HBF500 FOOD BLENDER JUG HARFIELD POLYCARBONATE BLUE 1.1 Ltr	1 130
JUG HARFIELD POLYCARBONATE BLUE 1.1 Ltr	48
KNIFE DESSERT STAINLESS STEEL Pk 12	1428
KNIFE INFANTS STAINLESS STEEL Pk 12	48
KNIFE SHARPENER CHANTRY	10
LID CLEAR FOR DELI DISH 2.3 Kg	107
MEAL TRAY HARFIELD LARGE BLUE	613
MEAL TRAY HARFIELD LARGE GREEN	83

MEAL TRAY HARFIELD LARGE ORANGE	30
MEAL TRAY HARFIELD LARGE PURPLE-SPARKLE 38 x 28 cm	465
MEAL TRAY HARFIELD LARGE RED	80
MEAL TRAY HARFIELD LARGE YELLOW	30
MEAL TRAY HARFIELD SMALL BLUE	470
MEAL TRAY HARFIELD SMALL GREEN	150
MEAL TRAY HARFIELD SMALL RED	250
MEAL TRAY HARFIELD SMALL YELLOW	150
MEAL TRAY SMALL PURPLE-SPARKLE 28 x 23 cm	700
MEAT SLICER 25 cm	1
MULTI-POT/PASTA BOWL HARFIELD BLACK 44.5 cl	200
OATMEAL BOWL HARFIELD DIAMONDS 17 cm	250
OATMEAL BOWL HARFIELD NARROW RIM RED	80
OATMEAL BOWL HARFIELD STRIPES LIME/BLACK 17 cm	150
OATMEAL BOWL MELAMINE VALENCIA	1989
OATMEAL MELAMINE WHITE 17 cm	165
PASTRY TRAY WIRE 64 x 36 cm	35
PIZZA PAN PERFORATED N-STICK 32.9 (dia.) x 0.5 cm	194
PLATE BLACK TILE 23 cm	650
PLATE BLACK TILE 16 cm	120
PLATE DIAMONDS HARFIELD 23 cm	250
PLATE HARFIELD NARROW RIM RED 23 cm	60
PLATE MELAMINE VALENCIA 16 cm	450
PLATE MELAMINE VALENCIA 23 cm	2489
PLATE MELAMINE WHITE 23 cm	145
PLATE SPANISH TILE 23 cm	2904
PLATE STRIPES HARFIELD LIME/BLACK 23 cm	300
PLATFORM TRUCK - FOLDING	18
PORRINGER G/BASE & LID 9.1 Ltr	9
PORRINGER M/D & LID WITH SPOUT 13.6 Ltr (28 cm)	8
PORRINGER M/D & LID WITH SPOUT 6.8 Ltr (23 cm)	3
PORRINGER M/D & LID WITH SPOUT 9.0 Ltr (25.5 cm)	4
PORTIONER BONZER SIZE 16 (59 ml)	27
RECTRACTABLE BARRIER	15
REFUSAC HOLDER & LID	9
RINSING BASKET B/C LARGE NYLON	11
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RINSING BASKET NYLON FOR 12 PLATES	41
RINSING BASKET NYLON FOR 7 BOWLS	23
SERVICE CART GREY	5
SPOON DESSERT STAINLESS STEEL Pk 12	1120
SPOON TEA STAINLESS STEEL Pk 12	279
STICK BLENDER HAMILTON BEACH 175W	1
THERMO BOX BLACK FULL SIZE 217/280 MM DEEP	117
THERMO BOX BLACK FULL SIZE 257/320 MM DEEP	19
THERMO BOX BLACK FULL SIZE 167/230 MM DEEP	64
TIN OPENER & CLAMP BONZER CLASSIC 40 cm	6
TOASTER COMMERCIAL 6 SLOT (WHITE)	8
TRAY FAST FOOD BLACK 41 x 30 cm	380
TRAY FAST FOOD BLUE 36 x 25 cm	534
TRAY FAST FOOD BLUE 41 x 30 cm	464

TRAY HARFIELD BLACK 41 x 30 cm	100
TRAY HARFIELD LIME 41 x 30 cm	100
TRAY NON-SLIP 40.6 x 30.5 cm BLACK	50
TRAY ROUND S/STEEL 36 cm	37
TROLLEY EPOXY FOR 40 cm TRAYS (1 x 12)	2
TROLLEY S/STEEL 2 TIER	2
TROLLEY S/STEEL 3 TIER	26
TROLLEY S/STEEL FLAT PACK 3 TIER	5
TROLLEY STACKING TRAY MILD STEEL	2
TUMBLER HARFIELD POLYCARB. BLUE 150 ml	1834
TUMBLER HARFIELD POLYCARB. BLUE 200 ml	1160
TUMBLER HARFIELD POLYCARB. BLUE 225 ml	320
TUMBLER HARFIELD POLYCARB. LIME 200 ml	300
TUMBLER HARFIELD POLYCARB. RED 150 ml	445
TUMBLER HARFIELD POLYCARB. RED 200 ml	327
TUMBLER HARFIELD POLYCARB. RED 225 ml	200
TUMBLER HARFIELD POLYCARB. YELLOW 150 ml	300
URN S/ST. ELECTRIC 30 Ltr	1

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GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR THE SUPPLY OF GOODS, SERVICES AND WORKS

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These General Terms and Conditions are incorporated in contracts <u>of all values and types</u> made between Shropshire Council and a Contractor for the supply of Goods and Services (as defined below).

Only those Terms and Conditions denoted with the suffix "W" (Property Services contracts) or "Z" (Highways contracts) will be incorporated into those agreements where a standard form contract is being used to provide Works (as defined below)

1. **DEFINITIONS**

1.1 In this document the following words shall have the following meanings:

'Agreement'	means the Agreement between the Council and the Contractor consisting of the Purchase Order or Form of Agreement, these General Terms and Conditions and any other documents (or parts thereof) specified in the Purchase Order or Form of Agreement.
'Associated Person'	means in respect of the Council, a person, partnership, limited liability partnership or company (and company shall include a company which is a subsidiary, a holding company or a company that is a subsidiary of the ultimate holding company of that company) in which the Council has a shareholding or other ownership interest.
'Bribery Act'	the Bribery Act 2010 and any subordinate legislation made under that Act from time to time together with any guidance or codes of practice issued by the relevant government department concerning the legislation.
"Council Data"	the data, text, drawings, diagrams, images or sounds (together with any database made up of any of these) which are embodied in any electronic, magnetic, optical or tangible media, and which are: (a) supplied to the Contractor by or on behalf of the Council; or which the Contractor is required to generate, process, store or transmit pursuant to this Agreement; or
	(b) any Personal Data for which the Council is the Data Controller;
"Council Software"	software which is owned by or licensed to the Council, including software which is or will be used by the Contractor for the purposes of providing the Services but excluding the Contractor Software;
"Council System"	the Council's computing environment (consisting of hardware, software and/or telecommunications networks or equipment) used by the Council or the Contractor in connection with this Agreement which is owned by or licensed to the Council by a third party and which interfaces with the Contractor System or which is necessary for the Council to receive the Services;
"Council Representative"	the representative appointed by the Council
"Council"	means Shropshire Council
"Commercially Sensitive Information"	comprises the information of a commercially sensitive nature relating to the Contractor, its Intellectual Property Rights or its business which the Contractor has indicated to the Council in writing that, if disclosed by the Council, would cause the Contractor significant commercial disadvantage or material financial loss;
"Confidential Information"	any information, which has been designated as confidential by either Party in writing or that ought reasonably to be considered as confidential however it is conveyed, including information that relates to the business, affairs, developments, trade secrets, know-how, personnel and suppliers of the Council or the Contractor, including Intellectual Property Rights, together with all information derived from the above, and any other information clearly designated as being confidential (whether or not it is marked as "confidential");
"Contractor"	means the person, firm or company or any other organisation specified in the Agreement contracting with the Council.

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"Contractor Equipment"	the hardware, computer and telecoms devices and equipment supplied by the Contractor or its Sub contractors (but not hired, leased or loaned from the Council) for the provision of the Services;
"Contractor Software"	software which is proprietary to the Contractor, including software which is or will be used by the Contractor for the purposes of providing the Services;
"Contractor System"	the information and communications technology system used by the Contractor in performing the Services including the Software, the Contractor Equipment and related cabling (but excluding the Council System);
"Contractor Personnel"	all employees, agents, consultants and contractors of the Contractor and/or of any Sub-contractor;
"Data Controller"	shall have the same meaning as set out in the Data Protection Act 1998
"Data Processor"	shall have the same meaning as set out in the Data Protection Act 1998
"Data Protection Legislation"	the Data Protection Act 1998, the EU Data Protection Directive 95/46/EC, the Regulation of Investigatory Powers Act 2000, the Telecommunications (Lawful Business Practice) (Interception of Communications) Regulations 2000 (SI 2000/2699), the Electronic Communications Data Protection Directive 2002/58/EC, the Privacy and Electronic Communications (EC Directive) Regulations 2003 and all applicable laws and regulations relating to processing of personal data and privacy, including where applicable the guidance and codes of practice issued by the Information Commissioner;
"Data Subject"	shall have the same meaning as set out in the Data Protection Act 1998;
"EIR"	means the Environmental Information Regulations 2004 (as may be amended from time to time.)
"Exempt Information"	means any information or class of information (including but not limited to any document, report, Agreement or other material containing information) relating to this Agreement or otherwise relating to the parties to this Agreement which potentially falls within an exemption to FOIA (as set out therein)
"FOIA"	means the Freedom of Information Act 2000 and all subsequent regulations made under this or any superseding or amending enactment and regulations; any words and expressions defined in the FOIA shall have the same meaning in this clause
"FOIA notice"	means a decision notice, enforcement notice and/or an information notice issued by the Information Commissioner
"Form of Agreement"	means the contract document (other than a Purchase Order) to which these General Terms and Conditions are attached or referred to
"Goods"	means all goods specified in the Agreement.
"Hazardous Goods"	means any solid, liquid, or gas that can cause harm to humans and other living organisms due to being radioactive, flammable or explosive, irritating or damaging the skin or lungs, interfering with oxygen intake and apsorption (asphyxiants), or causing allergic reactions (allergens).
"Information"	has the meaning given under section 84 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000;
"Intellectual Property Rights"	means all patents, registered and unregistered designs, copyright, trade marks, know-how and all other forms of intellectual property wherever in the world enforceable
"Law"	any applicable law, statute, bye-law, regulation, order, regulatory policy, guidance or industry code, rule of court or directives or requirements of any Regulatory Body, delegated or subordinate legislation or notice of any Regulatory Body;

"Malicious Software"	any software program or code intended to destroy, interfere with,
Walicious Software	corrupt, or cause undesired effects on program files, data or other
	information, executable code or application software macros, whether or
	not its operation is immediate or delayed, and whether the malicious
	software is introduced wilfully, negligently or without knowledge of its
"Packages"	existence; includes bags, cases, cylinders, drums, pallets and other containers
"Personal Data"	shall have the same meaning as set out in the Data Protection Act 1998;
"Price"	means the price of the Goods and/or charge for the Services or Works
	being provided by the Contractor
'Prohibited Act'	the following constitute Prohibited Acts:
	(a) to directly or indirectly offer, promise or give any person working for
	or engaged by the Council a financial or other advantage to: (i) induce that person to perform improperly a relevant function or
	activity; or
	(ii) reward that person for improper performance of a relevant
	function or activity;
	(b) to directly or indirectly request, agree to receive or accept any
	financial or other advantage as an inducement or a reward for improper performance of a relevant function or activity in connection with this
	Agreement;
	(c) committing any offence:
	(i) under the Bribery Act;
	(ii) under legislation creating offences concerning fraudulent acts;
	(iii) at common law concerning fraudulent acts relating to this Agreement or any other contract with the Council; or
	(d) defrauding, attempting to defraud or conspiring to defraud the
	Council.
"Public body"	as defined in the FOIA 2000
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'Purchase Order'	means the Council's official order which encompasses orders written or electronically generated via any of the Council's ordering systems and
	to which these General Terms and Conditions are attached or referred
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"Receiving Party"	means a party to this Agreement to whom a Request for Information is made under FOIA, and who thereafter has overall conduct of the
	request and any response
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'Regulated Activity'	in relation to children, as defined in Part 1 of Schedule 4 to the
	Safeguarding Vulnerable Groups Act 2006, and in relation to vulnerable
	adults, as defined in Part 2 of Schedule 4 to the Safeguarding Vulnerable Groups Act 2006.
'Regulated Provider'	as defined in section 6 of the Safeguarding Vulnerable Groups Act 2006
"Regulatory Bodies"	those government departments and regulatory, statutory and other
	entities, committees and bodies which, whether under statute, rules,
	regulations, codes of practice or otherwise, are entitled to regulate, investigate, or influence the matters dealt with in this Agreement or any
	other affairs of the Council and "Regulatory Body" shall be construed
	accordingly;
"Request for	means a written request for information pursuant to the FOIA as defined
Information"	by Section 8 of the FOIA
"Security Policy"	the Council's security policy as updated from time to time;
"Services"	means any and all of the services to be provided by the Contractor under this Agreement including those set out in any schedules or
	service descriptions.
'Software"	Specially Written Software, Contractor Software and Third Party
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	Software;
'Specially Written Software"	any software created by the Contractor (or by a third party on behalf of the Contractor) specifically for the purposes of this Agreement;
'Sub-Contract'	any contract or agreement, or proposed contract or agreement between the Contractor and any third party whereby that third party agrees to provide to the Contractor the Goods, Works or Services or any part thereof, or facilities or services necessary for the provision of the Goods, Works or Services or any part of the Goods, Works or Services, or necessary for the management, direction or control of the Goods, Works or Services or any part of thereof.
'Sub-Contractor'	the third parties that enter into a Sub-Contract with the Contractor.
"Third Party Software"	software which is proprietary to any third party which is or will be used by the Contractor for the purposes of providing the Services
"Working Day"	any day other than a Saturday, Sunday or public holiday in England and Wales.
"Works"	means all civil engineering and building works of whatever nature to be provided by the Contractor to the Council
'Writing'	includes facsimile transmission and electronic mail, providing that the electronic mail is acknowledged and confirmed as being received.

- 1.2 Clause and paragraph headings shall not affect the interpretation of these terms and conditions
- 1.3 A person includes an individual, firm, company, corporation, unincorporated body of persons, or any state or any agency of any person.
- 1.4 A reference to a company shall include any company, corporation or other body corporate, wherever and however incorporated or established.
- 1.5 A reference to a holding company or subsidiary means a holding company or subsidiary as defined in section 1159 of the Companies Act 2006. In the case of a limited liability partnership which is a subsidiary of a company or another limited liability partnership, section 1159 of the Companies Act 2006 shall be amended so that:
 - (i) references in sub-sections 1159(1)(a) and (c) to voting rights are to the members' rights to vote on all or substantially all matters which are decided by a vote of the members of the limited liability partnership; and
 - (ii) the reference in sub-section 1159(1)(b) to the right to appoint or remove a majority of its board of directors is to the right to appoint or remove members holding a majority of the voting rights.
- 1.6 Words in the singular shall include the plural and vice versa.
- 1.7 A reference to one gender shall include a reference to the other genders.
- 1.8 A reference to a statute or statutory provision is a reference to it as it is in force for the time being, taking account of any amendment, extension, or re-enactment and includes any subordinate legislation for the time being in force made under it.
- 1.9 A reference to writing or written includes faxes but not e-mail, unless otherwise specifically agreed.
- 1.10 Any obligation in these terms and conditions on a person not to do something includes an obligation not to agree or allow that thing to be done.
- 1.11 References to clauses are to the clauses of these terms and conditions.
- 1.12 Where any statement is qualified by the expression so far as the Contractor is aware or to the Contractor's knowledge or any similar expression, that statement shall be deemed to include an additional statement that it has been made after due and careful enquiry.
- 1.13 Where there is any conflict or inconsistency between the provisions of these terms and conditions or any other document forming part of the agreement with the Council, such conflict or inconsistency shall be resolved in a manner at the Council's sole discretion.

2 GENERAL

- 2.1 When requested, the Contractor shall specify the Goods, Services or Works to be provided at the price payable.
- 2.2 No variation of these General Terms and Conditions shall be binding unless agreed expressly in Writing by both the Council and the Contractor.
- 2.3 These General Terms and Conditions shall apply to the exclusion of any other terms or conditions submitted, proposed or stipulated by the Contractor, whether in Writing or orally, and any such other term or condition is hereby expressly excluded or waived.
- 2.4 The Contractor shall complete the Works or Services or supply the Goods within the agreed times but time shall not be of the essence in the performance of any services unless expressly stated in Writing by the Council.

3 SPECIFICATION AND QUALITY OF THE GOODS, SERVICES AND WORKS

- 3.1 The quantity, quality and description of the Goods or Services shall comply in all respects with any quoted British Standards and the specification or illustration contained in any product pamphlet or other sales or marketing literature of the Contractor or drawings, samples and patterns specified in the Agreement or any modifications thereof that may be agreed by the Council in Writing.
- 3.2 All Goods will be of good construction, sound materials, and of adequate strength, shall be free of defects in design materials and workmanship, and shall comply with the requirements of the Sale of Goods Act 1979 and the Supply of Goods and Services Act 1982, as applicable to this Agreement and as amended by any related statutes, and any statutory re-enactment(s) or modification(s) thereof.

4 ALTERATIONS TO THE SPECIFICATION OF GOODS AND SERVICES

- 4.1 The parties may at any time mutually agree upon and execute alterations in the scope of Goods, Works or Services to be provided under this Agreement
- 4.2 On receipt of a request from the Council for alterations the Contractor shall, within 5 working days or such other period as may be agreed between the parties, advise the Council by notice in Writing of the effect of such alterations, if any, on the price and any other terms already agreed between the parties
- 4.3 Where the Contractor gives written notice to the Council agreeing to perform any alterations on terms different to those already agreed between the parties, the Council shall, within 5 working days of receipt of such notice or such other period as may be agreed between the parties, advise the Contractor by notice in Writing whether or not it wishes the alterations to proceed thereafter the Contractor shall perform this Agreement upon the basis of such amended terms

5 PRICE AND PAYMENT

- 5.1 The price for the supply of Goods and Services are as set out in the Agreement and the Contractor shall invoice the Council at the time the Goods are despatched or the Services are provided.
- 5.2 The Price, which shall include all charges for delivery to the Council, packaging, insurance and carriage, shall be exclusive of VAT and shall be a fixed price for the duration of the Agreement and shall not be varied without prior written consent of the Council.

- 5.3 The Council reserves the right to set off against the price of the Goods or Services any sums owed or becoming due to the Council from the Contractor.
- 5.4 Provided that a nominated employee or authorised signatory of the Council has signed for Goods or Services the Council will make payment to the Contractor by BACS (Bank Automated Clearing System) within 30 days following of receipt of the relevant undisputed invoice or acceptance of the relevant Goods or Services. No other method of payment shall be acceptable and the Contractor shall ensure that their bank account details are provided to the Council at least 30 days prior to payment becoming due to enable the payment to be made. The Council shall not be liable for any late payment charges where the Contractor fails to provide the Council with their correct bank account details in accordance with this clause.
- 5.5 If the Council fails to make any payment due to the Contractor under this agreement by the due date for payment, then the Council shall pay interest on the overdue amount at the rate of 4% per annum above Bank of England base rate from time to time. Such interest shall accrue on a daily basis from the due date until actual payment of the overdue amount, whether before or after judgment.
- VAT, where applicable, shall be shown separately on all invoices as a strictly net extra, the Invoice must comply with VAT rules and regulations. The correct Purchase Order number must be quoted on all invoices, and the Council will accept no liability whatsoever for invoices, delivery notes or other communications which do not bear such Purchase Order numbers.
- 5.7 The Council reserves the right to refuse payment of sums invoiced in excess of the prices stated in the Agreement.
- 5.8 Unless otherwise agreed in Writing by the Council the Contractor will pay any of its appointed sub-contractors within 30 days from receipt of an undisputed invoice.

6 <u>DELIVERY</u>

- 6.1 The Agreement will specify the quantity of Goods and the nature of the Services required and the date or dates and place of delivery of the Goods or provision of the Service or Services. The Contractor shall provide such programmes of manufacture and delivery as the Council may require. Each delivery or consignment shall have a packing note quoting the reference number of the Purchase Order (where applicable) prominently displayed, and the Council may reject quantities delivered in excess of those stated on the Agreement.
- 6.2 If Goods are in any respect incorrectly delivered the Contractor shall immediately affect correct delivery and shall be responsible for any additional costs or expenses incurred by both parties in so doing.
- 6.3 If Services are provided by the Contractor otherwise than in accordance with the terms of the Agreement, the Contractor shall immediately affect correct provision of the Services and shall be responsible for any additional costs or expenses incurred by the Council or the Contractor in so doing.
- The Council may reject any Goods which are not in accordance with the Agreement and the Council shall not be treated as having accepted any Goods until the Council has had a reasonable time to inspect them following delivery or, if later, within a reasonable time after a latent defect in the Goods has become apparent.
- 6.5 The Contractor shall comply with all applicable regulations or other legal requirements as regards the manufacture, packaging, labelling, and delivery of the Goods. The Contractor shall deliver the Goods properly and securely packed and supply the Services

- during the Council's usual business hours (8:45 to 17:00 Monday to Thursday and 8:45 to 16:00 Friday) or in accordance with the instructions shown on the Agreement.
- 6.6 Where Goods are delivered by road vehicle, available empty Packages may be returned by the same vehicle.
- 6.7 Where the Council has an option to return Packages and does so, the Council will return such Packages empty and in good order and condition (consigned 'carriage paid' unless otherwise agreed) to the Contractor's supplying works or depot indicated by the Contractor, and will advise the Contractor of the date of despatch.
- Packages and containers of all kinds are supplied free by the Contractor and are nonreturnable unless otherwise clearly stated, in the first instance, on quotations and subsequently on all Packages, advice notes and delivery notes.

7. LOSS OR DAMAGE IN TRANSIT

7.1 The Contractor shall promptly make good, free of charge to the Council, any loss in transit of the Goods if notified within 21 days of delivery or any damage to or defect in the Goods if notified within 10 days of delivery.

8. **INSPECTION**

- 8.1 The Contractor shall be responsible for the inspection and testing of the Goods and shall ensure that they comply with the Agreement prior to delivery to the Council. The Council shall have the right to inspect the Goods at the Contractor's works and those of its Sub-Contractors at all reasonable times and to reject any part thereof that does not comply with the terms of the Agreement.
- 8.2 The Contractor shall ensure that rights of access, inspection and rejection at premises of any sub-Contractor of the Contractor are given to the Council in sub-agreements between the Contractor and the Contractor's Sub-Contractors. Any inspection, checking, approval or acceptance given on behalf of the Council shall not relieve the Contractor or its Sub-Contractors from any obligations or liabilities set forth in this Agreement.

9. REJECTION

- 9.1 The Council shall have the right to reject any Goods or Services which do not comply with the Agreement, and are, without limitation, not of a stipulated quality or quantity or measurement, unfit for the purpose for which they are required or non-compliant with a description or specification or sample, and the Council may return such rejected Goods to the Contractor at the Contractor's cost and expense.
- 9.2 If the Contractor is unable to supply acceptable replacement Goods or Services within the time specified in the Agreement, or within any extension of such time as the Council may grant, the Council will be entitled to purchase elsewhere other Goods or Services, as near as is practicable to the same Agreement specifications as circumstances shall permit, but without prejudice to any other right which the Council may have against the Contractor including, but not limited to, payment by the Contractor of any excess costs incurred by the Council in doing so.
- 9.3 The making of such payment shall not prejudice the Council's right of rejection and the Contractor shall immediately reimburse the Council with an amount equal to that paid by the Council in respect of the Goods or Services and any applicable taxes. Before exercising the said right elsewhere the Council shall give the Contractor reasonable opportunity to replace rejected Goods or Services with Goods or Services that conform to the Agreement.

9.4 The Council is under no obligation to test or inspect the Goods before or on delivery.

10 TITLE - PASSING PROPERTY

- 10.1 Property and risk in the Goods will remain with the Contractor until the Goods are delivered to the place specified in the Agreement and a nominated employee of the Council has signed a delivery note for them, whereupon title will pass to the Council, without any limitation, constraint or encumbrance.
- 10.2 If payment for the Goods is made prior to delivery, property in the Goods shall pass to the Council once payment has been made and the Goods have been unconditionally appropriated by the Council.
- 10.3 In these circumstances the Contractor will set aside the Goods and store them separately from similar Goods held at the Contractors premises specified in the Agreement and ensure that they are securely, clearly and visibly marked with the wording "Property of Shropshire Council" so as to identify those Goods as having been unconditionally appropriated by the Council to whose order they are held
- 10.4 The Contractor will allow a named representative of the Council reasonable accompanied access to its premises specified in the Agreement to verify compliance with clause 10.3 herein and will immediately rectify any non-compliance as identified by the Council's named representative
- 10.5 The Contractor will indemnity the Council for any loss of or damage to the Goods until delivered on-site.
- 10.6 Without prejudice to this indemnity the Contractor will have appropriate and adequate insurance cover against any such loss or damage with a reputable insurer from the time that title in the materials or Goods passes to the Council until they are delivered on-site and the Contractor shall provide the Council with certified copies of the relevant policy upon request.
- 10.7 The Contractor agrees that the Council has the right to enter the Contractor's premises specified in the Agreement where Goods are being held in order to recover the said materials or Goods in the event of the Contractors' insolvency

11 THE COUNCIL'S OBLIGATIONS

- 11.1 To enable the Contractor to perform its obligations under this Agreement the Council shall:
 - a) co-operate with the Contractor;
 - b) provide the Contractor with any information reasonably required by the Contractor;
 - c) obtain all necessary permissions and consents which may be required before the commencement of the Services or the supply of Goods; and
 - d) comply with such other requirements as may be otherwise agreed between the parties.
- 11.2 Without prejudice to any other rights to which the Contractor may be entitled, in the event that the Council unlawfully terminates or cancels the Goods or Services agreed to in the Agreement the Council shall be required to pay to the Contractor as agreed damages and not as a penalty the full amount of any third party costs to which the Contractor has reasonably committed and in respect of cancellations on less than five working days' written notice the full amount of the Goods and Services.

12. WARRANTIES

- 12.1 The Contractor warrants that as from the date of delivery for a minimum period of 12 months the Goods and all their component parts, where applicable, are free from any defects in design, workmanship, construction or materials. Where certain Goods carry warranties for longer periods the Contractor will notify the Council of these from time to time as appropriate.
- 12.2 The Contractor warrants that the Services performed under this Agreement shall be performed using reasonable skill and care, and of a quality conforming to generally accepted industry standards and practices.

13 INDEMNIFICATION

- 13.1 The Council shall indemnify the Contractor against all reasonable claims, costs and expenses which the Contractor may incur and which arise, directly from the Council's breach of any of its obligations under this Agreement.
- 13.2 The Contractor shall indemnify the Council against all reasonable damage, liability, costs, claims, actions and proceedings arising out of the performance, defective performance or otherwise of this Agreement by the Contractor, its employees, servants or agents

14 TERMINATION AND CANCELLATION

- 14.1 The Council upon giving the Contractor notice in Writing may cancel any Agreement at any time. A fair and reasonable price will be paid for all work in progress at the time of the cancellation, providing all such work is delivered to, and/or performed for the Council and is accepted as described in Clauses 6 to 9 herein. The Council's liability is strictly limited to work in progress and no further loss or liability will accrue.
- 14.2 Either party may terminate this Agreement forthwith by notice in Writing to the other if:
 - a). the other party commits a material breach of this Agreement and, in the case of a breach capable of being remedied, fails to remedy it within 14 calendar days of being given notice in Writing setting out the breach and indicating that failure to remedy the breach may result in termination of this Agreement.
 - b). the other party commits a material breach of this Agreement which cannot be remedied under any circumstances;
 - c). the other party passes a resolution for winding up (other than for the purpose of solvent amalgamation or reconstruction), or a court of competent jurisdiction makes an order to that effect;
 - d). the other party ceases to carry on its business or substantially the whole of its business; or
 - e). the other party is declared insolvent, or convenes a meeting of or makes or proposes to make any arrangement or composition with its creditors; or a liquidator, receiver, administrative receiver, manager, trustee or similar officer is appointed over any of its assets.

15 PREVENTION OF BRIBERY (W) (Z)

15.1 The Contractor:

a) shall not, and shall procure that all Contractor Personnel shall not, in connection with this Agreement commit a Prohibited Act;

- b) warrants, represents and undertakes that it is not aware of any financial or other advantage being given to any person working for or engaged by the Council, or that an agreement has been reached to that effect, in connection with the execution of this Agreement, excluding any arrangement of which full details have been disclosed in writing to the Council before execution of this Agreement.
- 15.2 The Contractor shall:
 - a) if requested, provide the Council with any reasonable assistance, at the Council's reasonable cost, to enable the Council to perform any activity required by any relevant government or agency in any relevant jurisdiction for the purpose of compliance with the Bribery Act;
 - b) the Contractor shall, within 10 Working Days of a request from the Council, certify to the Council in writing (such certification to be signed by an officer of the Contractor) the Contractor's compliance with this clause 15 and provide such supporting evidence of compliance with this clause 15 by the Contractor as the Council may reasonably request.
- 15.3 If any breach of clause 15.1 is suspected or known, the Contractor must notify the Council immediately.
- 15.4 If the Contractor notifies the Council that it suspects or knows that there may be a breach of clause 15.1, the Contractor must respond promptly to the Council's enquiries, co-operate with any investigation, and allow the Council to audit books, records and any other relevant documentation. This obligation shall continue for two years following the expiry or termination of this Agreement.
- The Council may terminate this Agreement by written notice with immediate effect, and recover from the Contractor the amount of any loss directly resulting from the cancellation, if the Contractor or Contractor Personnel (in all cases whether or not acting with the Contractor's knowledge) breaches clause 15.1. At the Council's absolute discretion, in determining whether to exercise the right of termination under this clause 15.5, the Council shall give consideration, where appropriate, to action other than termination of this Agreement unless the Prohibited Act is committed by the Contractor or a senior officer of the Contractor or by an employee, Sub-Contractor or supplier not acting independently of the Contractor. The expression "not acting independently of" (when used in relation to the Contractor or a Sub-Contractor) means and shall be construed as acting:
 - a) with the authority; or,
 - b) with the actual knowledge;
 - of any one or more of the directors of the Contractor or the Sub-Contractor (as the case may be); or
 - c) in circumstances where any one or more of the directors of the Contractor ought reasonably to have had knowledge.
- 15.6 Any notice of termination under clause 15.5 must specify:
 - a) the nature of the Prohibited Act:
 - b) the identity of the party whom the Council believes has committed the Prohibited Act: and
 - c) the date on which this Agreement will terminate.
- 15.7 Despite clause 42 (Disputes), any dispute relating to:
 - a) the interpretation of clause 15; or
 - b) the amount or value of any gift, consideration or commission, shall be determined by the Council and its decision shall be final and conclusive.
- 15.8 Any termination under clause 15.5 will be without prejudice to any right or remedy which has already accrued or subsequently accrues to the Council.

16 <u>INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS</u>

- Any specification, drawing, sample and pattern supplied by the Council to the Contractor, or specifically produced by the Contractor for the Council in connection with this Agreement, together with the copyright, design rights or any other intellectual property rights thereto shall be the exclusive property of the Council. On payment of the price and for no further consideration the Contractor assigns to the Council with full title guarantee all such copyright, design and other intellectual property rights.
- 16.2 The Contractor shall not disclose to any third party (except sub-contractors accepting a like obligation of secrecy, and then only to the extent necessary for the performance of the sub-agreement) or provide any such specification, drawing, sample or pattern to any third party or use the same except to the extent that it is or becomes public knowledge through no fault of the Contractor, or as is required for the purposes of the Agreement.
- 16.3 This provision shall survive the expiration or termination of the Agreement.

17 INDEPENDENT CONTRACTORS

17.1 The Contractor and the Council are independent of each other, and neither has the authority to bind the other to any third party or act in any way as the representative of the other, unless otherwise expressly agreed to in Writing by both parties.

18 SEVERABILITY

18.1 If any provision of this Agreement is held invalid, illegal or unenforceable for any reason by any Court of competent jurisdiction such provision shall be severed and the remainder of the provisions herein shall continue in full force and effect as if this Agreement had been agreed with the invalid illegal or unenforceable provision eliminated.

19 ASSIGNMENT, TRANSFER AND SUB-CONTRACTING

- 19.1 The Council may, subject to clause 19.2:
 - (a) assign any of its rights under the Agreement; or
 - (b) transfer all of its rights or obligations by novation, to another person.
- 19.2 The consent of the Contractor is required for an assignment or transfer by the Council unless:
 - (a) the assignment or transfer is to an Associated Person of the Council; or
 - (b) either the Council or the Contractor have committed a breach of this Agreement which gives the other party the right under the terms of this Agreement to terminate the Agreement.
 - Any such consent must not be unreasonably withheld or delayed and if not expressly refused within five Working Days shall be deemed given.
- 19.3 The Contractor may not assign any of its rights, or transfer any of its rights or obligations under the Agreement.
- 19.4 The Contractor will not, without the written consent of the Council sub-contract its right or obligations under this Agreement nor allow Services to be provided other than through his own employees and using his own equipment.
- 19.5 In the event that the Council has consented to the placing of sub-contracts, copies of each sub-contract and order shall be sent by the Contractor to the Council immediately it is issued.

19.6 Notwithstanding the Contractor's right to sub-contract pursuant to this clause 19, the Contractor shall remain responsible for all acts and omissions of its Sub-contractors and the acts and omissions of those employed or engaged by the Sub-contractors as if they were its own. An obligation on the Contractor to do, or to refrain from doing, any act or thing shall include an obligation upon the Contractor to procure that its employees, staff, agents and Sub-contractors' employees, staff and agents also do, or refrain from doing, such act or thing.

20 WAIVER

20.1 The failure by either party to enforce at any time or for any period any one or more of these General Terms and Conditions herein shall not be a waiver of them or of the right at any time subsequently to enforce all the terms and conditions of this Agreement.

21 **HAZARDOUS GOODS**

- 21.1 Hazardous Goods must be marked by the Contractor with International Danger Symbol(s) and display the name of the material in English. Transport and other documents must include declaration of the hazard and name of the material in English. Goods must be accompanied by emergency information in English in the form of written instructions, labels or markings. The Contractor shall observe the requirements of UK and international laws, regulations and agreements relating to the packing, labelling and carriage of hazardous Goods.
- 21.2 All information known, held by, or reasonably available to, the Contractor regarding any potential hazards known or believed to exist in transport, handling or use of the Goods supplied shall be promptly communicated to the Council.

22 NOTICES

- 22.1 Unless otherwise communicated to the party in Writing any notice to be given by either party to the other may be served by email, fax, personal service or by post to the address of the other party that is the registered office or main place of business of the Contractor or if the Council, the Shirehall, Abbey Foregate, Shrewsbury. SY2 6ND
- 22.2 A Notice sent by email shall be deemed to be received providing receipt is acknowledged and confirmed, Notice sent by fax shall be deemed to be served on receipt of an error free transmission report, Notice given by letter shall be deemed to have been served at the time at which the letter was delivered personally or if sent by second class post shall be deemed to have been delivered in the ordinary course of post and if by first class post shall be deemed to have been delivered 48 hours after posting and acknowledged

23 CONFIDENTIALITY (W) (Z)

- 23.1 All plans, drawings, designs or specifications supplied by the Council to the Contractor shall remain the exclusive property of, and shall be returned to the Council on completion of the Agreement and shall not be copied, and no information relating to the Goods or the Services shall be disclosed to any third party, except as required for the purpose of this Agreement.
- 23.2 No photographs of any of the Council's equipment, installations or property shall be taken without the Council's prior consent in Writing. The Contractor shall keep secret and shall not divulge to any third party (except sub-contractors accepting a like obligation of secrecy, and then only to the extent necessary for the performance of the sub-agreement) all information given by the Council in connection with the Agreement or which becomes known to the Contractor through his performance of the Agreement or use the same other than for the purpose of executing the Agreement.

- 23.3 The Contractor shall not mention the Council's name in connection with the Agreement or disclose the existence of the Agreement in any publicity material or other similar communication to third parties without the Council's prior consent in Writing.
- 23.4 The Contractor will keep confidential any information it becomes aware of by reason of the operation of this Agreement.
- 23.5 Except to the extent set out in this clause or where disclosure is expressly permitted elsewhere in this Agreement, each party shall:
 - 23.5.1 treat the other party's Confidential Information as confidential; and
 - 23.5.2 not disclose the other party's Confidential Information to any other person without the owner's prior written consent
- 23.6 Clause 23.5 shall not apply to the extent that:
 - 23.6.1 such disclosure is a requirement of Law placed upon the party making the disclosure, including any requirements for disclosure under the Audit Commission Act 1998 or under the FOIA or the Environmental Information Regulations pursuant to the above clause regarding Freedom of Information;
 - 23.6.2 such information was in the possession of the party making the disclosure without obligation of confidentiality prior to its disclosure by the information owner:
 - 23.6.3 such information was obtained from a third party without obligation of confidentiality:
 - 23.6.4 such information was already in the public domain at the time of disclosure otherwise than by a breach of this Agreement; or
 - 23.6.5 it is independently developed without access to the other party's Confidential Information.
- 23.7 The Contractor may only disclose the Council's Confidential Information to the Contractor Personnel who are directly involved in the provision of the Services and who need to know the information, and shall ensure that such Contractor Personnel are aware of and shall comply with these obligations as to confidentiality.
- 23.8 The Contractor shall not, and shall procure that the Contractor Personnel do not, use any of the Council's Confidential Information received otherwise than for the purposes of this Agreement
- 23.9 Nothing in this Agreement shall prevent the Council from disclosing the Contractor's Confidential Information:
 - 23.9.1 to any consultant, contractor or other person engaged by the Council;
 - 23.9.2 for the purpose of the examination and certification of the Council's accounts or any other form of audit of the Council;
- 23.10 The Council shall use all reasonable endeavours to ensure that any government department, employee, third party or Sub-contractor to whom the Contractor's Confidential Information is disclosed pursuant to this Agreement is made aware of the Council's obligations of confidentiality.
- 23.11 Nothing in this clause shall prevent either party from using any techniques, ideas or know-how gained during the performance of the Agreement in the course of its normal business to the extent that this use does not result in a disclosure of the other party's Confidential Information or an infringement of Intellectual Property Rights.
- 23.12 The provisions of this Clause shall survive the expiration or termination of this Agreement.

23A AGREEMENT STATUS AND TRANSPARENCY (W) (Z)

- 23A.1 The parties acknowledge that, except for any information which is exempt from disclosure in accordance with the provisions of the FOIA, the content of this Agreement and any associated tender documentation provided by the Contractor (the Tender Submission) is not Confidential Information. The Council shall be responsible for determining in its absolute discretion whether any of the content of the Agreement or the Tender Submission is exempt from disclosure in accordance with the provisions of the FOIA.
- 23A.2 Notwithstanding any other term of this Agreement, the Contractor hereby gives his consent for the Council to publish this Agreement and the Tender Submission in its entirety, including from time to time agreed changes to the Agreement, to the general public.
- 23A.3 The Council may consult with the Contractor to inform its decision regarding any exemptions but the Council shall have the final decision in its absolute discretion.
- 23A.4 The Contractor shall assist and cooperate with the Council to enable the Council to publish this Agreement and the Tender Submission.

24 **COUNCIL DATA**

- 24.1 The Contractor shall not delete or remove any copyright or proprietary notices contained within or relating to the Council Data.
- 24.2 The Contractor shall not store, copy, disclose, or use the Council Data except as necessary for the performance by the Contractor of its obligations under this Agreement or as otherwise expressly authorised in writing by the Council and in particular the Contractor shall not store any Council Data, which the Council has notified the Contractor requires storage in an encrypted format, on any portable device or media unless that device is encrypted.
- 24.3 To the extent that Council Data is held and/or processed by the Contractor, the Contractor shall supply that Council Data to the Council as requested by the Council in any format specified in this Agreement or if none specified in any format reasonably requested by the Council.
- 24.4 The Contractor shall take responsibility for preserving the integrity of Council Data and preventing the corruption or loss of Council Data and shall take such backup copies of the Council Data at regular intervals appropriate to the frequency of the revision of the Council Data.
- 24.5 The Contractor shall ensure that any system on which the Contractor holds any Council Data, including back-up data, is a secure system that complies with the Security Policy to include, but not limited to, the following requirements in the Security Policy:
 - 24.5.1 Access to the system is restricted to Contractor Personnel with a legitimate need to access the Council Data; and
 - 24.5.2 The system is kept up to date with the latest versions of operating system and anti-virus updates; and
 - 24.5.3 Transfer of data to and from the system is conducted in a secure manner.
- 24.6 If the Council Data is corrupted, lost or sufficiently degraded as a result of the Contractor's Default so as to be unusable, the Council may:
 - 24.6.1 require the Contractor (at the Contractor's expense) to restore or procure the restoration of Council Data as soon as practicable; and/or

- 24.6.2 itself restore or procure the restoration of Council Data, and shall be repaid by the Contractor any reasonable expenses incurred in doing so including the restoration of the Council Data.
- 24.7 If at any time the Contractor suspects or has reason to believe that Council Data has or may become corrupted, lost or sufficiently degraded in any way for any reason, then the Contractor shall notify the Council via the Council's ICT Helpdesk immediately and inform the Council of the remedial action the Contractor proposes to take.
- 24.8 The Contractor shall check for and delete Malicious Software and if Malicious Software is found, the parties shall co-operate to reduce the effect of the Malicious Software and, particularly if Malicious Software causes loss of operational efficiency or loss or corruption of Council Data, assist each other to mitigate any losses and to restore the Services to their desired operating efficiency.
- Any cost arising out of the actions of the parties taken in compliance with the provisions of sub-clause .8 above shall be borne by the parties as follows:
 - 24.9.1 by the Contractor where the Malicious Software originates from the Contractor Software, the Third Party Software or the Council Data (whilst the Council Data was under the control of the Contractor); and
 - 24.9.2 by the Council if the Malicious Software originates from the Council Software or the Council Data (whilst the Council Data was under the control of the Council).

25 PROTECTION OF PERSONAL DATA

- 25.1 With respect to the parties' rights and obligations under this Agreement, the parties agree that the Council is the Data Controller and that the Contractor is the Data Processor.
- 25.2 The Contractor shall:
 - 25.2.1 Process the Personal Data only in accordance with instructions from the Council (which may be specific instructions or instructions of a general nature as set out in this Agreement or as otherwise notified by the Council to the Contractor during the term of this Agreement);
 - 25.2.2 Process the Personal Data only to the extent, and in such manner, as is necessary for the provision of the Services or as is required by Law or any Regulatory Body;
 - 25.2.3 implement appropriate technical and organisational measures, including but not limited to ensuring that Personal Data is not stored on any portable equipment or storage device or media unless encrypted, to protect the Personal Data against unauthorised or unlawful processing and against accidental loss, destruction, damage, alteration or disclosure. These measures shall be appropriate to the harm which might result from any unauthorised or unlawful Processing, accidental loss, destruction or damage to the Personal Data and having regard to the nature of the Personal Data which is to be protected:
 - 25.2.4 take reasonable steps to ensure the reliability of any Contractor Personnel who have access to the Personal Data;
 - 25.2.5 obtain prior written consent from the Council in order to transfer the Personal Data to any Sub-contractors or Affiliates for the provision of the Services;
 - 25.2.6 ensure that all Contractor Personnel required to access the Personal Data are informed of the confidential nature of the Personal Data and comply with the obligations set out in this Protection of Personal Data clause;

- 25.2.7 ensure that no Contractor Personnel publish, disclose or divulge any of the Personal Data to any third party unless directed in writing to do so by the Council;
- 25.2.8 notify the Council (within five Working Days) if it receives:
 - a) a request from a Data Subject to have access to that person's Personal Data; or
 - b) a complaint or request relating to the Council's obligations under the Data Protection Legislation;
- 25.2.9 provide the Council with full cooperation and assistance in relation to any complaint or request made, including by:
 - a) providing the Council with full details of the complaint or request;
 - b) complying with a data access request within the relevant timescales set out in the Data Protection Legislation and in accordance with the Council's instructions;
 - c) providing the Council with any Personal Data it holds in relation to a Data Subject (within the timescales required by the Council); and
 - d) providing the Council with any information requested by the Council;
- 25.2.10 permit the Council or the Council Representative (subject to reasonable and appropriate confidentiality undertakings), to inspect and audit, in accordance with the Audit clause, the Contractor's data Processing activities (and/or those of its agents, subsidiaries and Sub-contractors) and comply with all reasonable requests or directions by the Council to enable the Council to verify and/or procure that the Contractor is in full compliance with its obligations under this Agreement;
- 25.2.11 provide a written description of the technical and organisational methods employed by the Contractor for processing Personal Data (within the timescales required by the Council); and
- 25.2.12 not process Personal Data outside the United Kingdom without the prior written consent of the Council and, where the Council consents to a transfer, to comply with:
 - a) the obligations of a Data Controller under the Eighth Data Protection Principle set out in Schedule 1 of the Data Protection Act 1998 by providing an adequate level of protection to any Personal Data that is transferred; and
 - b) any reasonable instructions notified to it by the Council
- 25.2.13 The Contractor shall comply at all times with the Data Protection Legislation and shall not perform its obligations under this Agreement in such a way as to cause the Council to breach any of its applicable obligations under the Data Protection Legislation.
- 25.2.14 The Contractor shall ensure that its employees and agents are aware of and comply with this clause and shall indemnify the Council against any loss or damage sustained or incurred as a result of any breach of this clause.

26 COUNCIL DATA AND PERSONAL INFORMATION AUDITS

- 26.1 Except where an audit is imposed on the Council by a Regulatory body, the Council may, acting reasonably, conduct an audit for the following purposes:
 - 26.1.1 to review the integrity, confidentiality and security of the Council Data;
 - 26.1.2 to review the Contractor's compliance with the Data Protection Act 1998, the Freedom of Information Act 2000 in accordance with the Protection of Personal Data and Freedom of Information clauses and any other legislation applicable to the Services:
- 26.2 The Council shall use its reasonable endeavours to ensure that the conduct of each audit does not unreasonably disrupt the Contractor or delay the provision of the Services.

- 26.3 Subject to the Council's obligations of confidentiality, the Contractor shall on demand provide the Council (and/or its agents or representatives) with all reasonable co-operation and assistance in relation to each audit, including:
 - 26.3.1 all information requested by the Council within the permitted scope of the audit:
 - 26.3.2 reasonable access to any Sites controlled by the Contractor and to any equipment used (whether exclusively or non-exclusively) in the performance of the Services:
 - 26.3.3 access to Contractor Personnel
- 26.4 The Contractor shall implement all measurement and monitoring tools and procedures necessary to measure and report on the Contractor's performance of the Services.
- 26.5 The Council shall endeavour to (but is not obliged to) provide at least 5 Working Days notice of its intention to conduct an audit.
- 26.6 The parties agree that they shall bear their own respective costs and expenses incurred in respect of compliance with their obligations under this clause.
- 26.7 This clause shall not apply to any audit or inspection regarding the provision of the Services specified in the Service Specification or elsewhere in this Agreement which may be conducted as specified in this Agreement.

27. PUBLIC INTEREST DISCLOSURE ('WHISTLE BLOWING') (W) (Z)

27.1 The Contractor will ensure that his employees and agents are made aware of the Council's policy "Speaking Up About Wrongdoing" and that the details of this policy are fully explained to them and shall provide the Council with evidence of doing so upon request

28. INSURANCE

- 28.1 The Contractor shall effect and maintain with a reputable insurance company a policy or policies of insurance providing an adequate level of cover, or in accordance with any legal requirement for the time being in force, in respect of all risks which may be incurred by the Contractor, arising out of the Contractor's performance of this Agreement, including death or personal injury, loss of or damage to property or any other loss, and unless otherwise agreed with the Council such policy or policies of Public Liability and Employers Liability insurance shall provide for a minimum of £5,000,000 (FIVE MILLION POUNDS) cover. In respect of death or personal injury due to negligence will be unlimited.
- 28.2 If appropriate and requested in Writing, the Contractor may also be required to provide Product Liability insurance of at least £2,000,000 (TWO MILLION POUNDS) cover for any one claim.
- 28.3 Where the Contractor is providing Services of a professional nature, or the Council otherwise specifies that professional indemnity insurance is required, the Contractor shall hold and maintain professional indemnity insurance cover and shall ensure that all professional consultants or Sub-Contractors involved in the provision of the Services hold and maintain appropriate cover. To comply with its obligations under this clause, and as a minimum, the Contractor shall ensure professional indemnity insurance held by the Contractor and by any agent, Sub-Contractor or consultant involved in the performance of Services has a limit of indemnity of not less than £2,000,000 (TWO MILLION POUNDS) for any occurrences arising out of each and every event. Such insurance shall be maintained for a minimum of six years following the expiration or earlier termination of the agreement.

- 28.4 The Contractor warrants that it has complied with this clause 28 and shall provide the Council with certified copies of the relevant policies upon request together with receipts or other evidence of payment of the latest premiums due under those policies.
- 28.5 If, for whatever reason, the Contractor] fails to give effect to and maintain the insurances required by the agreement the Council may make alternative arrangements to protect its interests and may recover the costs of such arrangements from the Contractor.

29. EQUALITIES (W) (Z)

- 29.1 The Contractor and any Sub-Contractor employed by the Contractor shall not unlawfully discriminate either directly or indirectly on such grounds as race or ethnic origin, disability, gender, sexual orientation, religion or belief, or age in the supply and provision of Goods, Services or Works under this Agreement, or in its employment practices.
- 29.2 Without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing, the Contractor and any Sub-Contractor employed by the Contractor shall not unlawfully discriminate within the meaning and scope of the Equalities Act 2010 or other relevant legislation, or any statutory modification or re-enactment thereof.
- 29.3 In addition, the Contractor and any Sub-Contractor employed by the Contractor in providing services to the Council will comply with the general duty imposed on local authorities by Section 149 of the Equality Act 2010 to eliminate discrimination, harassment and victimisation and promote equality of opportunity between persons who share a protected characteristic and those who do not share it and to foster good relations between persons who share a protected characteristic and those who do not share it.
- 29.4 The Contractor and any Sub-Contractor employed by the Contractor will take all reasonable steps to observe as far as possible the Codes of Practice produced by the Equalities and Human Rights Commission, which give practical guidance to employers on the elimination of discrimination.
- 29.5 In the event of any finding of unlawful discrimination being made against the Contractor or any Sub-Contractor employed by the Contractor during the contract period, by any court or employment tribunal, or any adverse finding or formal investigation by the Equalities and Human Rights Commission over the same period, the Contractor shall inform the Council of this finding and shall take appropriate steps to prevent repetition of the unlawful discrimination.
- 29.6 The Contractor and any Sub-Contractor employed by the Contractor will provide a copy of its policies to the Council at any time upon request. In addition, the Council may reasonably request other information from time to time for the purpose of assessing the Contractor's compliance with the above conditions.

30 HUMAN RIGHTS (W) (Z)

30.1 The Contractor shall where appropriate take account of the Human Rights Act 1998 and shall not do anything in breach of it.

31 HEALTH AND SAFETY AT WORK (Z)

- 31.1 The Contractor will at all times in providing Goods, Services or Works to the Council comply with the provisions of the Health and Safety at work Act 1974 and provide evidence of doing so to the Council at any time upon request.
- 32 FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000 (FOIA) AND ENVIRONMENTAL INFORMATION REGULATIONS 2004 (EIR) (W) (Z)

- 32.1 The Contractor acknowledges that the Council is subject to the requirements of the FOIA and the Environmental Information Regulations and shall assist and cooperate with the Council to enable the Council to comply with its Information disclosure obligations.
- 32.2 The Contractor shall notify the Council of any Commercially Sensitive Information provided to the Council together with details of the reasons for its sensitivity and the Contractor acknowledges that any lists or schedules of Commercially Sensitive Information so provided are of indicative value only and that the Council may be obliged to disclose such information.
- 32.3 The Contractor shall and shall procure that its Sub-contractors shall: 32.3.1 transfer to the Council all Requests for Information that it receives as soon as practicable and in any event within two Working Days of receiving a Request for Information; 32.3.2 provide the Council, at the Contractor's expense, with a copy of all Information in its possession, or power in the form that the Council requires within five Working Days (or such other period as the Council may specify) of the Council's request; and 32.3.3 provide at the Contractor's expense, all necessary assistance as reasonably requested by the Council to enable the Council to respond to the Request for Information within the time for compliance set out in section 10 of the FOIA or regulation 5 of the Environmental Information Regulations.
- 32.4 The Council shall be responsible for determining in its absolute discretion and notwithstanding any other provision in this Agreement or any other agreement whether the Commercially Sensitive Information and/or any other Information is exempt from disclosure in accordance with the provisions of the FOIA or the Environmental Information Regulations and in considering any response to a Request for Information the Council may consult with the Contractor prior to making any decision or considering any exemption.
- 32.5 In no event shall the Contractor respond directly to a Request for Information unless expressly authorised to do so by the Council.
- 32.6 The Contractor acknowledges that (notwithstanding the provisions of this Freedom of Information clause) the Council may, acting in accordance with the Ministry of Justice's Code of Practice on the Discharge of the Functions of Public Authorities under Part 1 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 ("the Code"), be obliged under the FOIA, or the Environmental Information Regulations to disclose information concerning the Contractor or the Services:
 - 32.6.1 in certain circumstances without consulting the Contractor; or 32.6.2 following consultation with the Contractor and having taken their views into account:
 - provided always that where sub-clause 32.6.1 above applies the Council shall, in accordance with any recommendations of the Code, take reasonable steps, where appropriate, to give the Contractor advanced notice, or failing that, to draw the disclosure to the Contractor's attention after any such disclosure.
- 32.7 The Contractor shall ensure that all Information required to be produced or maintained under the terms of this Agreement, or by Law or professional practice or in relation to the Agreement is retained for disclosure for at least the duration of the Agreement plus one year together with such other time period as required by the Agreement, law or practice and shall permit the Council to inspect such records as requested from time to time.
- 32.8 The Council shall in no event be liable for any loss, damage, harm, or detriment, howsoever caused, arising from or in connection with the reasonable disclosure under FOIA, or any other Law, of any information (including Exempt Information) whether relating to this Agreement or otherwise relating to any other party.

- Where the Contractor is a Public Body the parties acknowledges that such obligations and duties of the Council as set out above are reciprocal to the Contractor. The Council and the Contractor acknowledge and agree that:
 - 32.9.1 as Public Bodies they are subject to legal duties under the FOIA and EIR which may require either party to disclose on request information relating to this Agreement or otherwise relating to the other party;
 - 32.9.2 they are required by law to consider each and every Request for Information made under FOIA:
 - 32.9.3 that all decisions made by the other pursuant to a request under the FOIA are solely a matter for the Receiving Party and at the discretion of the Receiving Party.
 - 32.9.4 Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement to the contrary (including but without limitation any obligations or confidentiality), the Receiving Party shall be entitled to disclose information in whatever form pursuant to a request made under FOIA, save that in relation to any information that is Exempt Information the Receiving Party shall consult the other party before making any such decision and shall not:
 - (a) confirm or deny that information is held by the other party, or
 - (b) disclose information required
 - to the extent that in the Receiving Party's opinion the information is eligible in the circumstances for an exemption and therefore the Receiving Party may lawfully refrain from doing either of the things described in part (a) and (b) of this clause.
 - 32.9.5 each party shall bear its own costs of:
 - a) assessing the application of any exemption under FOIA and/or
 - b) responding to any FOIA notice and/or
 - c) lodging any appeal against a decision of the Information Commissioner in relation to disclosure
 - 32.9.6 the Receiving Party shall in no circumstances be liable for any loss, damage, harm, or detriment, howsoever caused, arising from or in connection with the reasonable disclosure under FOIA of any Exempt Information or other information whether relating to this Agreement or otherwise relating to the other party.
 - 32.9.7 the other party shall assist the Receiving Party with the request as reasonably necessary to enable the Receiving Party to comply with its obligations under FOIA.

33 SAFEGUARDING(W) (Z)

- 33.1 Where the Service or activity being undertaken in this Agreement is a Regulated Activity the Contractor shall :
 - (a) ensure that all individuals engaged in the provision of the Service or activity, and prior to commencing the provision of the service or activity, are subject to a valid enhanced disclosure check undertaken through the Disclosure and Barring Service including a check against the adults' barred list or the children's barred list, as appropriate; and
 - (b) monitor the level and validity of the checks under this clause 33.1 for each member of the Contractor's Personnel.
- 33.2 The Contractor warrants that at all times for the purposes of this Agreement it has no reason to believe that any person who is or will be employed or engaged by the Contractor in the provision of a Service or activity that is a Regulated Activity is barred from the activity in accordance with the provisions of the Safeguarding Vulnerable Groups Act 2006 and any regulations made thereunder, as amended from time to time.
- 33.3 The Contractor shall immediately notify the Council of any information that it reasonably requests to enable it to be satisfied that the obligations of this clause 33 have been met.
- 33.4 The Contractor shall refer information about any person carrying out the Services or the activity to the Disclosure and Barring Service where it removes permission for such person to carry out the Services or activity (or would have, if such person had not otherwise ceased to carry out the Services or the activity) because, in its opinion, such

- person has harmed or poses a risk of harm to the Service users, children or vulnerable adults.
- 33.5 The Contractor shall not employ or use the services of any person who is barred from, or whose previous conduct or records indicate that he or she would not be suitable to carry out Regulated Activity or who may otherwise present a risk to Service users.
- 33.6 Where the service requirement, specification or Purchase Order specifies that the Service or activity to be provided under this Agreement involves a Regulated Activity, or the Council otherwise notifies the Contractor, acting reasonably, that the Contractor's Personnel are required to be subject to a Disclosure and Barring Service check, the Contractor shall comply with clause 33.1 above..

34 **SUSTAINABILITY**

34.1 Contractors should at all times demonstrate how they contribute to the achievement of the Council's Sustainability Policy

35 EXPIRY

35.1 The Contractor will on the expiry or termination of the Agreement and, at its own cost, return (or at the request of the Council destroy) all information obtained in undertaking the performance of the Agreement.

36 <u>AUDIT AND MONITORING</u>) (W) (Z)

36.1 The Contractor will allow access for the Council's officers to all relevant information for the purposes of audit and the monitoring of the Agreement.

37 RIGHTS OF THIRD PARTIES

37.1 The parties to this Agreement do not intend that any of its terms will be enforceable by any person not a party to it by virtue of the Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999.

38 ENTIRE AGREEMENT

38.1 This Agreement contains the entire agreement between the parties relating to the subject matter and supersedes any previous agreements, arrangements, undertakings or proposals, oral or written.

39 **FORCE MAJEURE**

- 39.1 Neither the Council nor the Contractor shall be in breach of this Agreement nor liable for any failure or delay in performing their obligations under this Agreement where it is directly caused, arising from or attributable to acts, events, omissions or accidents beyond its reasonable control ("Force Majeure Event"), provided that:-
 - 39.1.1 any delay by a sub-contractor or supplier of the Party who is delayed will not relieve that Party from liability for delay except where the delay is beyond the reasonable control of the sub-contractor or supplier concerned; and
 - 39.1.2 staff or material shortages or strikes or industrial action affecting only the Party who is delayed will not relieve that Party from liability for delay.
- 39.2 If the Party is subject to a Force Majeure Event it shall not be in breach of this Agreement provided that:-
 - 39.2.1 it promptly notified the Council in writing of the nature and extent of the Force Majeure Event causing its failure or delay in performance; and

39.2.2 it has used its reasonable endeavours to mitigate the effect of the Force Majeure Event, to carry out its obligations under this Agreement in any way that is reasonably practicable and to resume the performance of its obligations as soon as reasonably possible

in which case the performance of that Party's obligations will be suspended during the period that those circumstances persist and that Party will be granted a reasonable extension of time for performance up to a maximum equivalent to the period of the delay.

- 39.3 Save where that delay is caused by the act or failure to act of the other Party (in which event the rights, remedies and liabilities of the Parties will be those conferred by the other terms of this Agreement and by law):-
 - 39.3.1 any costs arising from that delay will be borne by the Party incurring the same; and
 - 39.3.2 either Party may, if that delay continues for more than 5 weeks, terminate this Agreement immediately on giving notice in writing to the other. Such termination shall be without prejudice to the rights of the parties in respect of any breach of this Agreement occurring prior to such termination.

40 GOVERNING LAW AND JURISDICTION (W)

40.1 It is the responsibility of the Contractor to comply with all relevant European and English legislation. This Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with English Law and the parties agree to submit to the exclusive jurisdiction of the English and Welsh Courts

41 <u>COMPLAINTS PROCEDURE (W) (Z)</u>

- 41.1 The Contactor shall operate a complaints procedure in respect of any goods, services or works provided under these terms & conditions, to the entire satisfaction of the Council, and comply with the requirements of any regulatory body to which the Contractor is subject (including any change in such requirements) and ensure that its complaints procedure meets the following minimum standards:
 - 41.1.1 is easy to access and understand
 - 41.1.2 clearly sets out time limits for responding to complaints and keeping the complainant and the Council informed of progress;
 - 41.1.3 provides confidential record keeping to protect employees under this contract and the complainant
 - 41.1.4 provides information to management so that services can be improved
 - 41.1.5 provides effective and suitable remedies
 - 41.1.6 is regularly monitored and audited and which takes account of complainant and Council feedback
- 41.2 The Contactor shall ensure that:
 - 41.2.1 under no circumstances is a complaint investigated by a member of its staff employed under this contract who may be part of the complaint.
 - 41.2.2 someone who is independent of the matter complained of carries out the investigation
 - 41.2.3 the complainant is made aware that they are entitled to have the complaint investigated by the Council if they are not satisfied with either the process of investigation or finding of the Contactor's investigations
 - 41.2.4 the Contactor will ensure that it responds to the complainant within a max of 10 days of receiving the complaint
- 41.3 The Contactor will make its complaints procedure available on request

- 41.4 The Contactor shall ensure that all its employees and persons employed under this contract are made aware of its complaints procedure and shall designate one employee (who shall be identified to the Council) to whom a complaint may be referred should the complainant not be satisfied with the initial response to their complaint
- 41.5 The Contactor shall keep accurate and complete written records of all complaints received and the responses to them and shall make these records available to the Council on request or at 12 monthly intervals in any event.
- 41.6 Where the Council is investigating a complaint the Contactor is required to participate fully in all investigations within the timescales requested by the Council
- 41.7 The Contractor should note that if a complaint is made to the Council by a third party relating to the goods, services or works provided, the Local Government Ombudsman has the power to investigate such a complaint and the Council requires the Contractor to fully to co-operate in such investigation. If the Council is found guilty of maladministration or injustice by the Local Government Ombudsman because of the act or default of the Contractor the Contractor shall indemnify the Council in respect of the costs arising from such maladministration or injustice.

42 DISPUTES

- 42.1 If any dispute or difference shall arise between the parties as to the construction of this Agreement or any matter or thing of whatever nature arising under this Agreement or in connection with it then the same shall be dealt with as follows:-
 - 42.1.1 In the first instance a special meeting of both the Parties shall be arranged on 14 days written notice to the other party and the matter shall be discussed and the representatives shall use their reasonable endeavours to resolve the dispute
 - 42.1.2 If the dispute cannot be resolved in accordance with the preceding sub-clause then either one of the Parties may serve the Council's Chief Executive or the Contractor's senior officer or such other authorised officer of either party whose details have been notified to the other party, with notice of the dispute and those officers shall then appoint their representative to adjudicate and use their reasonable endeavours to resolve the dispute within 21 days of receipt of such notice

Additional definitions for clauses 43 and 44		
"Security Plan"	the Contractor's security plan prepared pursuant [to paragraph 3 of schedule 2.5 (Security Requirements and Plan) an outline of which is set out in Appendix of schedule 2.5 (Security Requirements)];	
"Staff Vetting Procedures"	the Council's procedures and policies for the vetting of personnel whose role will involve the handling of information of a sensitive or confidential nature or the handling of information which is subject to any relevant security measures.	

43 STAFFING SECURITY

43.1 The Contractor shall comply with the Staff Vetting Procedures in respect of all Contractor Personnel employed or engaged in the provision of the Services. The Contractor confirms that all Contractor Personnel employed or engaged by the Contractor at the

- commencement of this agreement were vetted and recruited on a basis that is equivalent to and no less strict than the Staff Vetting Procedures.
- 43.2 The Contractor shall provide training on a continuing basis for all Contractor Personnel employed or engaged in the provision of the Services in compliance with the Security Policy and Security Plan

44 <u>SECURITY REQUIREMENTS</u>

- 44.1 The Contractor shall comply, and shall procure the compliance of the Contractor Personnel, with the Security Policy and the Security Plan and the Contractor shall ensure that the Security Plan produced by the Contractor fully complies with the Security Policy.
- The Council shall notify the Contractor of any changes or proposed changes to the Security Policy.
- 44.3 If the Contractor believes that a change or proposed change to the Security Policy will have a material and unavoidable cost implication to the Services it may submit a request for the Agreement to be varied in respect of any charges or fees payable under the Agreement. In doing so, the Contractor must support its request by providing evidence of the cause of any increased costs and the steps that it has taken to mitigate those costs.
- 44.4 Until and/or unless a change to the charges or costs is agreed by the Council pursuant to this clause the Contractor shall continue to perform the Services in accordance with its existing obligations



Tender Response Document

IMC 159 – SUPPLY AND DELIVERY OF KITCHEN DISPOSABLES AND LIGHT EQUIPMENT

Nobisco Limited

Shropshire Council Tender Response Document

Contract Description:

A contract for the supply and delivery of kitchen disposables and light equipment to Shropshire Council for an initial period of 2 years commencing on 1st August 2015 with the option to extend for a further period of 2 years.

Kitchen disposables and light equipment are required to be delivered on a regular basis to sites across Shropshire, Herefordshire, Worcestershire, Cheshire, North Wales and the West Midlands in line with the requirements of the Council and the specifications included in the tender.

The contract will consist of two lots:-

Lot A: Kitchen Disposables

Lot B: Light Equipment

The Council reserves the right to change, withdraw or include establishments on a temporary or permanent basis to this arrangement as necessary. Further sites may be added and others removed during the duration of this contract dependant on operational requirements.

Tenderers can apply for one or both lots.

<u>Instructions for the completion of this document</u>

- 1. This document must be completed in its entirety with responses being given to <u>all</u> questions. If you are unsure of any section/question and require further clarification, please contact us via our Delta Tenderbox. You are recommended to keep a copy of all tender documents and supporting documents for your own records.
- 2. Tenderers must also complete and sign the four certificates in Sections A1 to A4. These must be signed;
 - a) Where the tenderer is an individual, by that individual;
 - b) Where the tenderer is a partnership, by two duly authorised partners;
 - c) Where the tenderer is a company, by two directors or by a director and the secretary of the company, such persons being duly authorised for the purpose.
- 3. All questions require specific responses from you relating to the organisation named in Section B Question 1.1. All information supplied must be accurate and up to date. The Council reserves the right to refuse to consider your application if the Tender Response Document is not fully completed or is found to be inaccurate.
- 4. Where copies of certificates and other details are requested **a copy must** accompany the electronic copy of your Tender Response Document.

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Award Criteria

Tenderers will be evaluated on the answers they provide in the 'Tender Response Document'. The following award criteria is made up of 'pass/fail' (selection) questions and 'weighted marked' (award) questions and shows how each section is to be marked.

Selection Criteria Pass/Fail Questions (Sections B to E)

This information will be provided for proof of compliance and will be judged on a pass or fail basis. Applicants must comply with these issues to demonstrate their proven competence, financial stability, resources and other arrangements. Questions marked 'For information only' will <u>not</u> be assessed; however they must still be answered in full.

Section / Question No.	Selection Criteria
Section B	Supplier Information – For information only
Section C	Grounds for Mandatory Exclusion
Section D	Grounds for Discretionary Exclusion
Section E	Pass/ Fail Technical and Professional ability

In relation to discretionary exclusion grounds (section D & E):-

Financial viability: Responses will be analysed and evaluated by the Authority's Audit sections and will include checks via an independent agency (currently Equifax).

If the financial analysis of the Applicant (please note financial information provided by consortium members will be evaluated to assess the Applicant consortium as a whole) gives cause for concern as to its ability to deliver the Contract, the Applicant will fail this section.

If the financial analysis of the Applicant does not give any cause for concern as to its ability to deliver the Contract – it shall be deemed to have passed the section.

Please note the Contracting Authority reserves the right to further check the Financial Stability and Capacity of an applicant prior to any award of contract in the manner set out above in order to ensure that they still pass that requirement.

For other Discretionary exclusion grounds: If in the opinion of the Contracting Authority the responses provided casts serious doubt on the Applicant's ability to perform this contract, they may be excluded.

Award Criteria – Weighted Marked Questions

Tenders will be evaluated on the answers provided in this Tender Response Document and judged against the criteria shown in the table below. The following award criteria is made up of 'Quality' and 'Price' and shows how each criteria is to be weighted against each other.

Section / Question No.	Award Criteria	Weighting / Max Marks Available	
	Price 60% (600 marks)		
Section F / Q 1.1	Oncost	4 / 40 marks	
Section F / Q 1.2	Settlement Terms	2 / 20 marks	
Section F / Q 1.3	Delivery Cost/Min Order	2 / 20 marks	
Section F / Q 1.4	Price Firm Period	2 / 20 marks	
Section F / Q 1.5	Pricing Schedule	50 / 500 marks	
	Total for price 60 / 600 max marks		
	Quality 40% (400 marks)		
Section F / Q 2.1	Added Value	6 / 60 marks	
Section F / Q 2.2	Managing Client Relationship	3 / 30 marks	
Section F / Q 2.3	Placing Orders	3 / 30marks	
Section F / Q 2.4	Timescales	4 / 40 marks	
Section F / Q 2.5	Mobilisation	3 / 30 marks	
Section F / Q 2.6	Payment System	2 / 20 marks	
Section F / Q 2.7	Distribution (location)	2 / 20 marks	

Section F / Q 2.8	Distribution (location)	3 / 30 marks
Section F / Q 2.9	Distribution (vehicles)	1 / 10 marks
Section F / Q 2.10	Quality Control	5 / 50 marks
Section F / Q 2.11	Complaints Procedure	3 / 30 marks
Section F / Q 2.12	Warranty/Returns	3 / 30 marks
Section F / Q 2.13	Social Value Proposals	2/ 20 marks
	Total for quality	40 / 400 max marks

Quality Questions/ Scoring Scheme

Questions within the quality sections shown above will be scored using the following scoring scheme. Each answer from the questions identified below will be given a mark between 0 and 10 with the following meanings:

Assessment	Mark	Interpretation	
Excellent	10	Exceeds the requirement. Exceptional demonstration by the Tenderer of how they will meet this requirement by their allocation of skills and understanding, resources and quality measures. Response identifies factors that demonstrate added value, with evidence to support the response.	
	9		
Good	8	Satisfies the requirement with minor additional benefits Above average demonstration by the Tenderer of how they will meet this requirement by their allocation of skills and understanding, resources and quality measures. Response identifies factors that demonstrate added value, with evidence to support the response.	
	7		
Acceptable	6	Satisfies the requirement. Demonstration by the Tenderer of how they will meet this requirement by their allocation of skills and understanding, resources and quality measures, with evidence to support the response.	
	5		
Minor Reservations	4	Satisfies the requirement with minor reservations Some minor reservations regarding how the Tenderer will meet this requirement by their allocation of skills and understanding, resources and quality measures, with limited evidence to	

		support the response.
	3	
Serious Reservations	2	Satisfies the requirement with major reservations. Considerable reservations regarding how the Tenderer will meet this requirement by their allocation of skills and understanding, resources and quality measures, with little or no evidence to support the response.
	1	
Unacceptable	0	Does not meet the requirement Does not comply and/or insufficient information provided to demonstrate how the Tenderer will meet this requirement by their allocation of skills and understanding, resources and quality measures, with little or no evidence to support the response.

The use of odd numbers indicates an answer's allocated mark lies between definitions.

The tender receiving the highest mark for Quality Criteria overall will receive the full 400 marks available for Quality. Other tenders will receive a % mark that reflects the difference in the marks between those tenders and the tender receiving the highest mark for Quality overall.

Price Evaluation and scoring

Price will be evaluated by using the total costs per pack tendered in Section F, question 1.5 'Pricing Schedule' multiplied by the approximate annual usage (based on the usage information contained in the pricing schedule) and totalled to give an overall basket cost.

The most competitively priced tender for prices within section F 1.5 will receive the maximum mark for price being 500 marks. Less competitive tenders will receive a % of the maximum mark that represents the difference in cost between that tender and the most competitively priced tender.

Please note that the usage figures noted on the pricing schedule include the period in which the Universal Infant Free School Meals initiative was implemented. Please also note that all usage figures provided are for guidance only and no guarantees can be given by the council of the levels of order to be placed under this arrangement.

personal info

Section A:

1. Form of Tender

Form of Tender

Shropshire Council

Tender for the Supply and Delivery of Kitchen Disposables and Light Equipment

We confirm that this, our tender, represents an offer to Shropshire Council that if accepted in whole, or in part, will create a binding contract for the Supply and Delivery of Kitchen Disposables and Light Equipment at the prices and terms agreed and subject to the terms of the invitation to tender documentation and the General Terms and Conditions, copies of which we have received.

Signed Name

Date 14 May 2015

Designation Managing Director / Sales Director

Company Nobisco Limited

Address 20 Gavin Way, Holford Industrial Park, Witton

Birmingham Post Code B6 7AF

Section A:

2. Non - Canvassing Certificate

Non-Canvassing Certificate

To: Shropshire Council (hereinafter called "the Council")

I/We hereby certify that I/We have not canvassed or solicited any member officer or employee of the Council in connection with the award of this Tender of any other Tender or proposed Tender for the Services and that no person employed by me/us or acting on my/our behalf has done any such act.

I/We further hereby undertake that I/We will not in the future canvass or solicit any member officer or employee of the Council in connection with the award of this Tender or any other Tender or proposed Tender for the Services and that no person employed by me/us or acting on my/our behalf will do any such act.



Section A:

3. Non - Collusive Tendering Certificate

Non-collusive Tendering Certificate

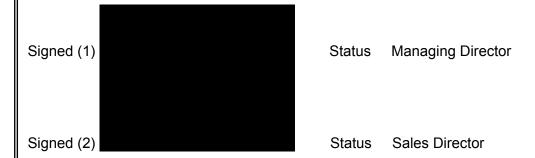
To: Shropshire Council (hereinafter called "the Council")

The essence of selective tendering is that the Council shall receive bona fide competitive Tenders from all persons tendering. In recognition of this principle:

I/We certify that this is a bona fide Tender, intended to be competitive and that I/We have not fixed or adjusted the amount of the Tender or the rates and prices quoted by or under or in accordance with any agreement or arrangement with any other person.

I/We also certify that I/We have not done and undertake that I/We will not do at any time any of the following acts:-

- (a) communicating to a person other than the Council the amount or approximate amount of my/our proposed Tender (other than in confidence in order to obtain quotations necessary for the preparation of the Tender for insurance); or
- (b) entering into any agreement or arrangement with any other person that he shall refrain from Tendering or as to the amount of any Tender to be submitted; or
- (c) offering or agreeing to pay or give or paying any sum of money, inducement or valuable consideration directly or indirectly to any person for doing or having done or causing or having caused to be done in relation to any other Tender or proposed Tender for the Services any act or omission.



4. Declaration of Connection with Officers or Elected Members of the Council

Are you or any of your staff who will be affected by this invitation to tender related or connected in any way with any Shropshire Council Elected Councillor or Employee?

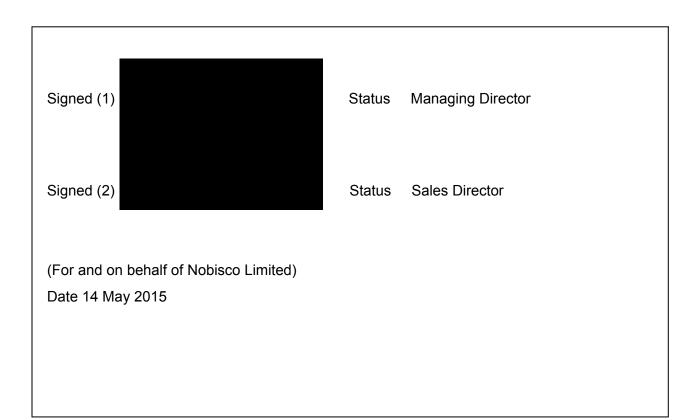
Yes / No

If yes, please give details:

Name	Relationship

Please note:

This information is collected to enable the Council to ensure that tenders are assessed without favouritism. Whether or not you have a connection with elected members or employees will have no bearing on the success of your tender, but your tender will not be considered unless this declaration has been completed.



SECTION B

1. Supplier Information

1.1 Supplier details	Answer		
Full name of the Supplier completing the Tender	Nobisco Limited		
Registered company address	20 Gavin Way, Holford Industrial Park, Witton, Birmingham		
	B6 7AF		
Registered company number	1945617		
Registered charity number	N/A		
Registered VAT number	425490944		
Name of immediate parent company	N/A		
Name of ultimate parent company	N/A		
Please mark 'X' in the relevant box to indicate your trading status	i) a public limited company	□ Yes	
box to indicate your trading status	ii) a limited company	x Yes	
	iii) a limited liability partnership	- Yes	
	iv) other partnership	□ Yes	
	v) sole trader	□ Yes	
	vi) other (please specify)	□ Yes	
Please mark 'X' in the relevant	i)Voluntary, Community and Social Enterprise	□ Yes	

boxes to indicate whether any of the following classifications apply	(VCSE)		
to you	ii) Small or Medium Enterprise (SME) ¹	Х	Yes
	iii) Sheltered workshop		Yes
	iv) Public service mutual	0	Yes
1.2 Bidding model		•	
Please mark 'X' in the relevant be	ox to indicate whethe	r yo	ou are;
Bidding as a Prime Contractor the key contract deliverables year		o Of	x Yes
b) Bidding as a Prime Contractor parties to deliver some of the se			□ Yes
If yes, please provide details of you model that includes members of the percentage of work being delivered and the key contract deliverables e be responsible for.	e supply chain, the by each sub-contracto		
c) Bidding as Prime Contractor Managing Agent and will use th the services		l of	□ Yes
If yes, please provide details of you model that includes members of the percentage of work being delivered and the key contract deliverables e be responsible for.	e supply chain, the by each sub-contracto		
d) Bidding as a consortium but r new legal entity.	not proposing to create	a	□ Yes

 $^{^1\,\}text{See EU definition of SME: http://ec.europa.eu/enterprise/policies/sme/facts-figures-analysis/sme-definition/}$

If yes, please include details of your consortium in the next **Consortium members** column and use a separate Appendix to explain the alternative arrangements i.e. why a new legal entity is not **Lead member** being created. Please note that the Authority may require the consortium to assume a specific legal form if awarded the contract, to the extent that it is necessary for the satisfactory performance of the contract. Bidding as a consortium and intend to create a Special Yes Purpose Vehicle (SPV). **Consortium members** If yes, please include details of your consortium, current **Current lead member** lead member and intended SPV in the next column and provide full details of the biding model using a separate Name of Special Purpose Vehicle Appendix.

1.3 Contact details			
	Supplier contact details for enquiries about this tender		
Name			
Postal address	20 Gavin Way, Holford Industrial Park, Witton, Birmingham, B6 7AF		
Country	England		
Phone	0121 328 3889		
Mobile	07831 823363		
E-mail			

1.4 Licensing and registration (please mark 'X' in the relevant box)			
1.4.1	Registration with a professional body	x Yes	
	If applicable, is your business registered with the appropriate trade or professional register(s) in the EU member state where it is established (as set out in Annex XI of directive	If Yes, please provide the registration number in this box. FoodService Packaging Association	

	2014/24/EU) under the conditions laid down by that member state).	CHSA (Cleaning and Hygiene Suppliers Association member No. 1010) Copies of certificated have been uploaded
1.4.2	Is it a legal requirement in the state where you are established for you to be licensed or a member of a relevant organisation in order to provide the requirement in this procurement?	 Yes x No If Yes, please provide additional details within this box of what is required and confirmation that you have complied with this.

SECTION C

2. – Grounds for Mandatory Exclusion

You will be excluded from the procurement process if there is evidence of convictions relating to specific criminal offences including, but not limited to, bribery, corruption, conspiracy, terrorism, fraud and money laundering, or if you have been the subject of a binding legal decision which found a breach of legal obligations to pay tax or social security obligations (except where this is disproportionate e.g. only minor amounts involved).

If you have answered "yes" to question 2.2 on the non-payment of taxes or social security contributions, and have not paid or entered into a binding arrangement to pay the full amount, you may still avoid exclusion if only minor tax or social security contributions are unpaid or if you have not yet had time to fulfil your obligations since learning of the exact amount due. If your organisation is in that position please provide details using a separate Appendix. You may contact the authority for advice before completing this form.

2.1 Within the past five years, has your organisation (or any member of your proposed consortium, if applicable), Directors or partner or any other person	Please indicate your answer by marking 'X' in the relevant box.	
who has powers of representation, decision or control been convicted of any of the following offences?	Yes	No
 (a) conspiracy within the meaning of section 1 or 1A of the Criminal Law Act 1977 or article 9 or 9A of the Criminal Attempts and Conspiracy (Northern Ireland) Order 1983 where that conspiracy relates to participation in a criminal organisation as defined in Article 2 of Council Framework Decision 2008/841/JHA on the fight against organised crime; 		X
(b) corruption within the meaning of section 1(2) of the Public Bodies Corrupt Practices Act 1889 or section 1 of the Prevention of Corruption Act 1906;		Х
(c) the common law offence of bribery;		Х
(d) bribery within the meaning of sections 1, 2 or 6 of the Bribery Act 2010; or section 113 of the Representation of the People Act 1983;		х
(e) any of the following offences, where the offence relates to fraud affecting the European Communities' financial interests as defined by Article 1 of the Convention on the protection of the financial interests of the European Communities:		

х
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conduct within the meaning of section 93A, 93B or 93C of the Criminal Justice Act 1988 or article 45, 46 or 47 of the Proceeds of Crime (Northern Ireland) Order 1996;	
(j) an offence under section 4 of the Asylum and Immigration (Treatment of Claimants etc.) Act 2004;	Х
(k) an offence under section 59A of the Sexual Offences Act 2003;	Х
(I) an offence under section 71 of the Coroners and Justice Act 2009	Х
(m) an offence in connection with the proceeds of drug trafficking within the meaning of section 49, 50 or 51 of the Drug Trafficking Act 1994; or	Х
(n) any other offence within the meaning of Article 57(1) of the Public Contracts Directive—	Х
(i) as defined by the law of any jurisdiction outside England and Wales and Northern Ireland; or	Х
(ii) created, after the day on which these Regulations were made, in the law of England and Wales or Northern Ireland.	Х
Non-nayment of taxes	х
Non-payment of taxes 2.2 Has it been established by a judicial or administrative decision having final and binding effect in accordance with the legal provisions of any part of the United Kingdom or the legal provisions of the country in which your organisation is established (if outside the UK), that your organisation is in breach of obligations related to the payment of tax or social security contributions?	
If you have answered Yes to this question, please use a separate Appendix to provide further details. Please also use this Appendix to confirm whether you have paid, or have entered into a binding arrangement with a view to paying, including, where applicable, any accrued interest and/or fines?	

SECTION D

3. Grounds for discretionary exclusion - Part 1

The authority may exclude any Supplier who answers 'Yes' in any of the following situations set out in paragraphs (a) to (i);

3.1 Within the past three years, please indicate if any of the following situations have applied, or currently apply, to your organisation.	Please indicate your answer by marking 'X' in the relevant box.	
	Yes	No
(a) your organisation has violated applicable obligations referred to in regulation 56 (2) of the Public Contract Regulations 2015 in the fields of environmental, social and labour law established by EU law, national law, collective agreements or by the international environmental, social and labour law provisions listed in Annex X to the Public Contracts Directive as amended from time to time;		x
(b) your organisation is bankrupt or is the subject of insolvency or winding-up proceedings, where your assets are being administered by a liquidator or by the court, where it is in an arrangement with creditors, where its business activities are suspended or it is in any analogous situation arising from a similar procedure under the laws and regulations of any State;		X
(c) your organisation is guilty of grave professional misconduct, which renders its integrity questionable;		х
(d) your organisation has entered into agreements with other economic operators aimed at distorting competition;		x
(e) your organisation has a conflict of interest within the meaning of regulation 24 of the Public Contract Regulations 2015 that cannot be effectively remedied by other, less intrusive, measures;		X
(f) the prior involvement of your organisation in the preparation of the procurement procedure has resulted in a distortion of competition, as referred to in regulation 41, that cannot be remedied by other, less intrusive, measures;		х
(g) your organisation has shown significant or persistent deficiencies in the performance of a substantive requirement under a prior public contract, a prior contract with a contracting entity, or a prior concession contract, which led to early termination of that prior contract, damages or other comparable sanctions;		X

(h) your organisation—	X
(i) has been guilty of serious misrepresentation in supplying the information required for the verification of the absence of grounds for exclusion or the fulfilment of the selection criteria; or	
(ii) has withheld such information or is not able to submit supporting documents required under regulation 59 of the Public Contract Regulations 2015; or	x
(i) your organisation has undertaken to	
(aa) unduly influence the decision-making process of the contracting authority, or	Х
(bb) obtain confidential information that may confer upon your organisation undue advantages in the procurement procedure; or	Х
(j) your organisation has negligently provided misleading information that may have a material influence on decisions concerning exclusion, selection or award.	X

Conflicts of interest

In accordance with question 3.1 (e), the authority may exclude the Supplier if there is a conflict of interest which cannot be effectively remedied. The concept of a conflict of interest includes any situation where relevant staff members have, directly or indirectly, a financial, economic or other personal interest which might be perceived to compromise their impartiality and independence in the context of the procurement procedure.

Where there is any indication that a conflict of interest exists or may arise then it is the responsibility of the Supplier to inform the authority, detailing the conflict in a separate Appendix. Provided that it has been carried out in a transparent manner, routine pre-market engagement carried out by the Authority should not represent a conflict of interest for the Supplier.

Taking Account of Bidders' Past Performance

In accordance with question (g), the authority may assess the past performance of a Supplier (through a Certificate of Performance provided by a Customer or other means of evidence). The authority may take into account any failure to discharge obligations under the previous principal relevant contracts of the Supplier completing this tender. The Authority may also assess whether specified minimum standards for reliability for such contracts are met.

In addition, the authority may re-assess reliability based on past performance at key stages in the procurement process (i.e. supplier selection, tender evaluation, contract award stage

etc.). Suppliers may also be asked to update the evidence they provide in this section to reflect more recent performance on new or existing contracts (or to confirm that nothing has changed).

'Self-cleaning'

Any Supplier that answers 'Yes' to questions 2.1, 2.2 and 3.1 should provide sufficient evidence, in a separate Appendix, that provides a summary of the circumstances and any remedial action that has taken place subsequently and effectively "self cleans" the situation referred to in that question. The supplier has to demonstrate it has taken such remedial action, to the satisfaction of the authority in each case.

If such evidence is considered by the authority (whose decision will be final) as sufficient, the economic operator concerned shall be allowed to continue in the procurement process.

In order for the evidence referred to above to be sufficient, the Supplier shall, as a minimum, prove that it has;

- paid or undertaken to pay compensation in respect of any damage caused by the criminal offence or misconduct;
- clarified the facts and circumstances in a comprehensive manner by actively collaborating with the investigating authorities; and
- taken concrete technical, organisational and personnel measures that are appropriate to prevent further criminal offences or misconduct.

The measures taken by the Supplier shall be evaluated taking into account the gravity and particular circumstances of the criminal offence or misconduct. Where the measures are considered by the Authority to be insufficient, the Supplier shall be given a statement of the reasons for that decision.

4. ECONOMIC AND FINANCIAL STANDING

	FINANCIAL INFORMATION		
4.1	Please provide one of the following to demonstrate economic/financial standing;	ate	your
	Please indicate your answer with an 'X' in the relevant box.		
	(a) A copy of the audited accounts for the most recent two years	Χ	
	(b) A statement of the turnover, profit & loss account, current liabilities and assets, and cash flow for the most recent year of trading for this organisation		
	(c) A statement of the cash flow forecast for the current year and a bank letter outlining the current cash and credit position		
	(d) Alternative means of demonstrating financial status if any of the above are not available (e.g. Forecast of turnover for the current year and a statement of funding provided by the owners and/or the bank, charity accruals accounts or an alternative means of demonstrating financial status).		
4.2	(a) Are you are part of a wider group (e.g. a subsidiary of a holding/parent company)?	0	Yes
	If yes, please provide the name below:	Х	No
	Name of the organisation		
	Relationship to the Supplier completing the tender		
	If yes, please provide Ultimate / parent company accounts if available.	0	Yes
	If yes, would the Ultimate / parent willing to provide a guarantee if necessary?	0	No
	If no, would you be able to obtain a guarantee elsewhere (e.g from a bank?)	0 0	Yes No
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5. TECHNICAL AND PROFESSIONAL ABILITY

5	Relevant exp	perience and contra	ct examples	
	The named custome provide written evic accuracy of the inform			
	consortium has delive possible (e.g. the consortium possible (e.g. the consortium possible (e.g. the consortium possible will separate examples a member(s) of the possible (three examples). Where the Supplier managing agent not	vered similar required consortium is newly for this should be provided by roposed consortium ples are not required for is a Special Purpointending to be the information refit the principal intended	or Special Purpose from each member). pose Vehicle, or a main provider of the equested should be ed provider(s) or sub-	
		Contract 1	Contract 2	Contract 3
5.1	Name of customer organisation			
5.2	Point of contact in customer organisation Position in the organisation E-mail address			

5.3	Contract start date Contract completion date Estimated Contract Value		
5.4	In no more than 500 words, please provide a brief description of the contract delivered including evidence as to your technical capability in this market.		

5.5 If you cannot proplease provide an experience	rovide at least one explanation for this e.g.	ample for questions your organisation is a	6.1 to 6.4, in no more a new start-up.	e than 500 words

SECTION E

6 - Project specific questions to assess Technical and Professional Ability

Suppliers who self-certify that they meet the requirements for these additional modules will be required to provide evidence of this if they are successful at contract award stage. Please indicate your answer by marking 'X' in the relevant boxes.

Further project specific questions relating to the technical and professional ability of the supplier.

6.1 - Insurance

1.	Please self-certify whether you already have, or can commit to obtain, prior to the commencement of the contract, the levels of insurance cover indicated below:	X	Yes
		0	No
	Employer's (Compulsory) Liability Insurance =		
	, ,		
	Public Liability Insurance = £5,000,000		
	* It is a legal requirement that all companies hold		
	million as a minimum. Please note this requirement is not applicable to Sole Traders.		
	1.	commit to obtain, prior to the commencement of the contract, the levels of insurance cover indicated below: Employer's (Compulsory) Liability Insurance = £5,000,000 Public Liability Insurance = £5,000,000 * It is a legal requirement that all companies hold Employer's (Compulsory) Liability Insurance of £5 million as a minimum. Please note this requirement is	commit to obtain, prior to the commencement of the contract, the levels of insurance cover indicated below: Employer's (Compulsory) Liability Insurance = £5,000,000 Public Liability Insurance = £5,000,000 * It is a legal requirement that all companies hold Employer's (Compulsory) Liability Insurance of £5 million as a minimum. Please note this requirement is

6.2 - Compliance with equality legislation

	For organisations working outside of the UK please refer to equivalent legislation in the country that you are located.			
1.	In the last three years, has any finding of unlawful discrimination been made against your organisation by an Employment Tribunal, an Employment Appeal Tribunal or any other court (or in comparable proceedings in any jurisdiction other than the UK)?	Yesx No		
2.	In the last three years, has your organisation had a complaint upheld following an investigation by the Equality and Human Rights Commission or its predecessors (or a comparable body in any jurisdiction	□ Yes		

	other than the UK), on grounds or alleged unlawful discrimination? If you have answered "yes" to one or both of the questions in this module, please provide, as a separate Appendix, a summary of the nature of the investigation and an explanation of the outcome of the investigation to date.	
	If the investigation upheld the complaint against your organisation, please use the Appendix to explain what action (if any) you have taken to prevent unlawful discrimination from reoccurring.	
	You may be excluded if you are unable to demonstrate to the Authority's satisfaction that appropriate remedial action has been taken to prevent similar unlawful discrimination reoccurring.	
3.	If you use sub-contractors, do you have processes in place to check whether any of the above circumstances apply to these other organisations?	YesN/ANo

6.3 - Environmental Management

1.	Has your organisation been convicted of breaching environmental legislation, or had any notice served upon it, in the last three years by any environmental regulator or authority (including local authority)?	Yesx No	
	If your answer to the this question is "Yes", please provide details in a separate Appendix of the conviction or notice and details of any remedial action or changes you have made as a result of conviction or notices served.		
	The Authority will not select bidder(s) that have been prosecuted or served notice under environmental legislation in the last 3 years, unless the Authority is satisfied that appropriate remedial action has been taken to prevent future occurrences/breaches.		

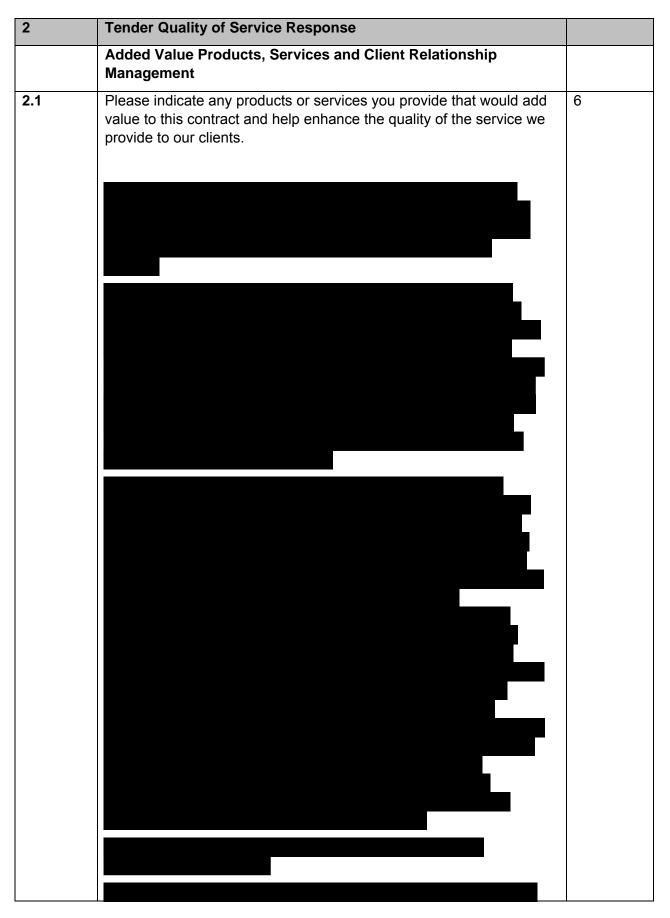
2.	If you use sub-contractors, do you have processes in	□ Yes
	place to check whether any of these organisations have been convicted or had a notice served upon them for	N/A
	infringement of environmental legislation?	□ No

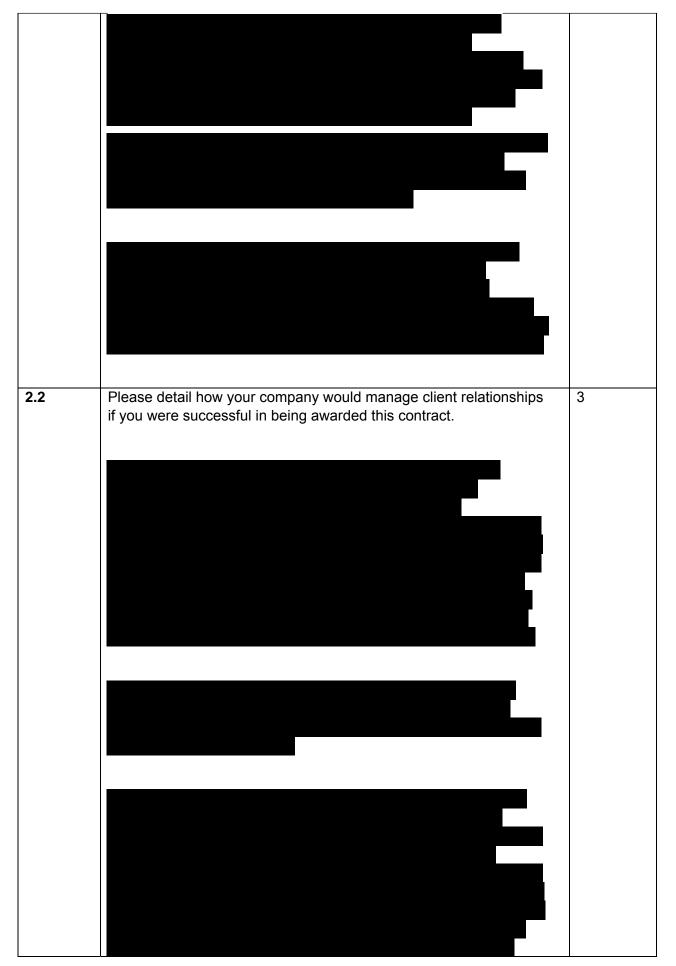
6.4 - Health & Safety

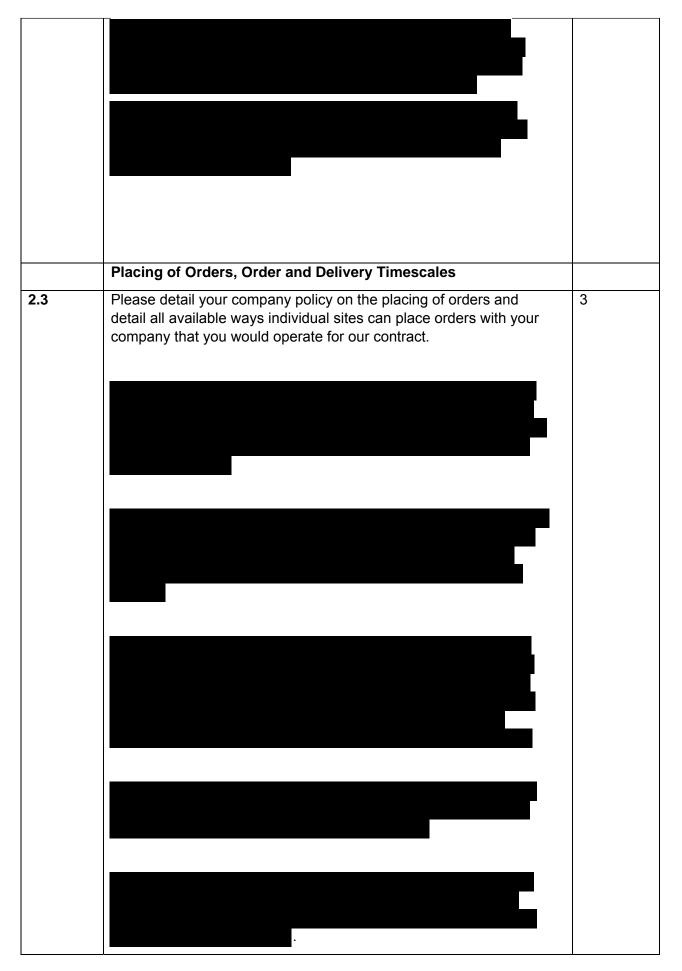
1.	Please self-certify that your organisation has a Health and Safety Policy that complies with current legislative requirements.	x Yes
2.	Has your organisation or any of its Directors or Executive Officers been in receipt of enforcement/remedial orders in relation to the Health and Safety Executive (or	□ Yes
	equivalent body) in the last 3 years? If your answer to this question was "Yes", please provide	x No
	details in a separate Appendix of any enforcement/remedial orders served and give details of any remedial action or changes to procedures you have made as a result.	
	The Authority will exclude bidder(s) that have been in receipt of enforcement/remedial action orders unless the bidder(s) can demonstrate to the Authority's satisfaction that appropriate remedial action has been taken to prevent future occurrences or breaches.	
3.	If you use sub-contractors, do you have processes in place to check whether any of the above circumstances apply to these other organisations?	YesN/ANo

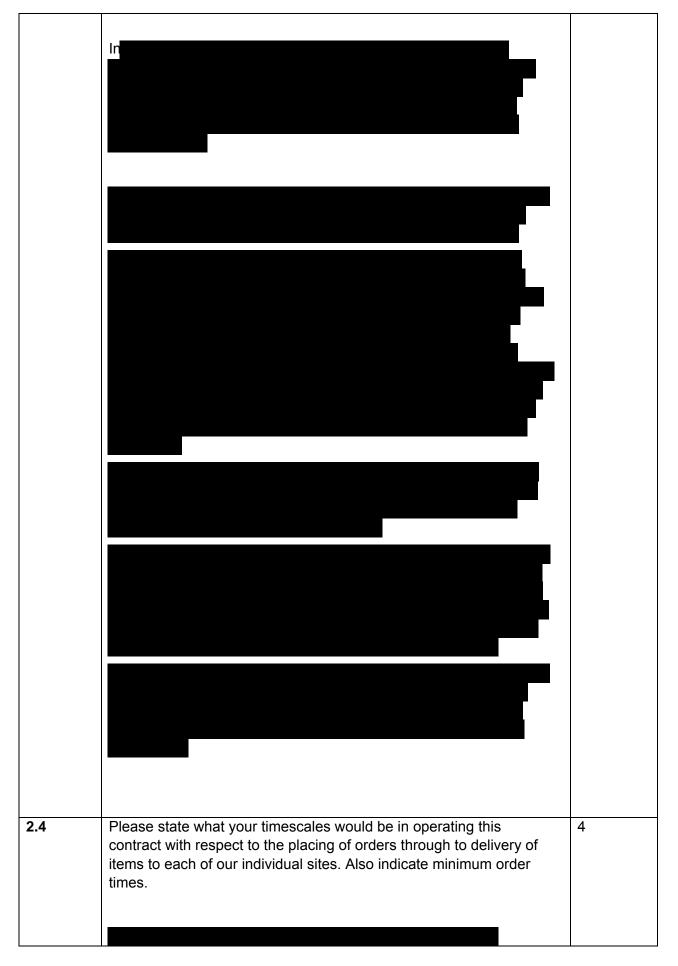
SECTION F - TENDER SCHEDULE

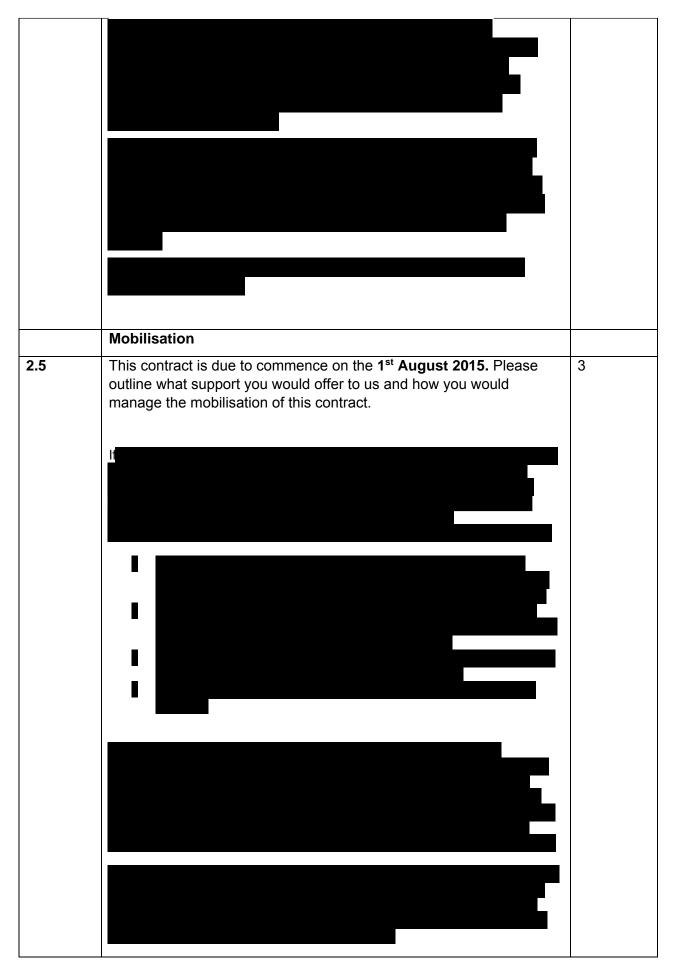
1.	Pricing Schedule	
1.1	Please confirm the on cost % that you have applied to your tendered prices to arrive at your net price into unit	4
1.2	Settlement terms (additional discount): 0% for payment withindays from invoice date.	2
1.3	Please detail any delivery cost and minimum order value:	2
1.4	Please detail the price firm period:	2
1.5	Detailed Prices Please fully complete the pricing schedule by inserting your tendered case size and delivered price in to the individual establishment. All tendered prices must include all packing and delivery costs and be exclusive of VAT.	50

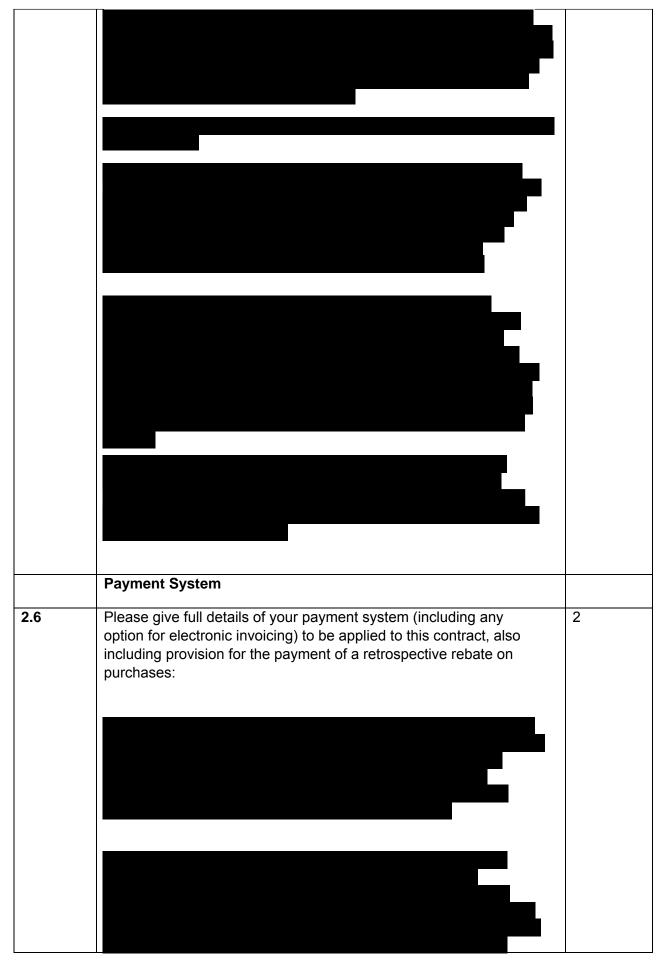


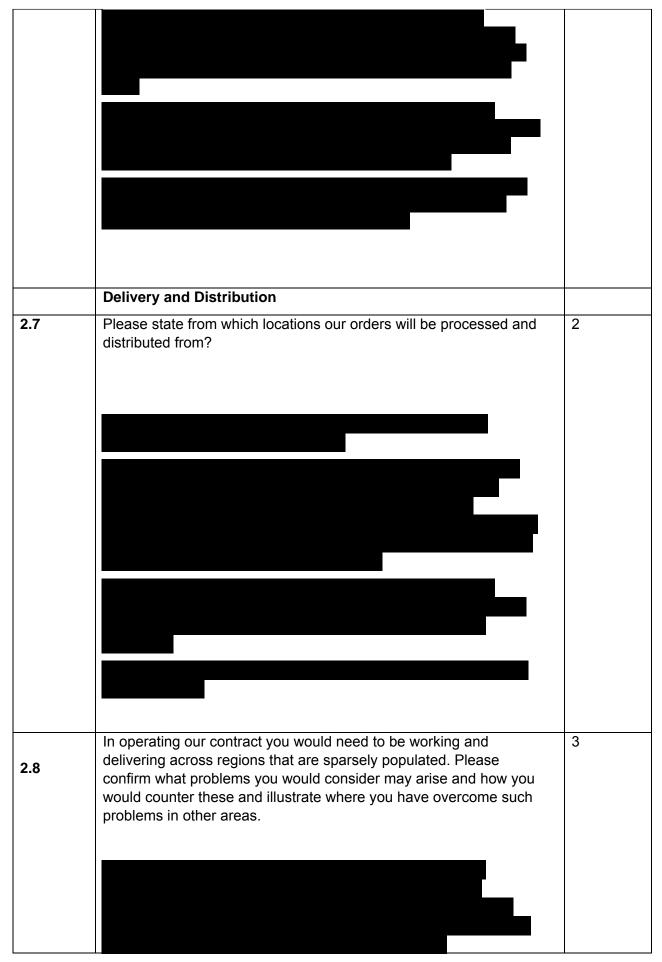


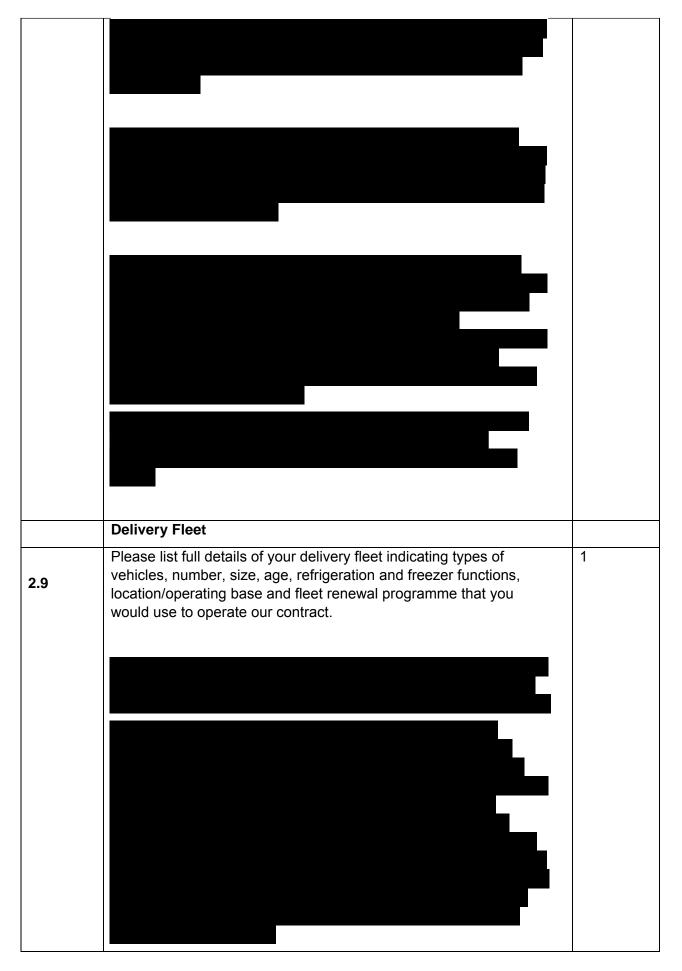


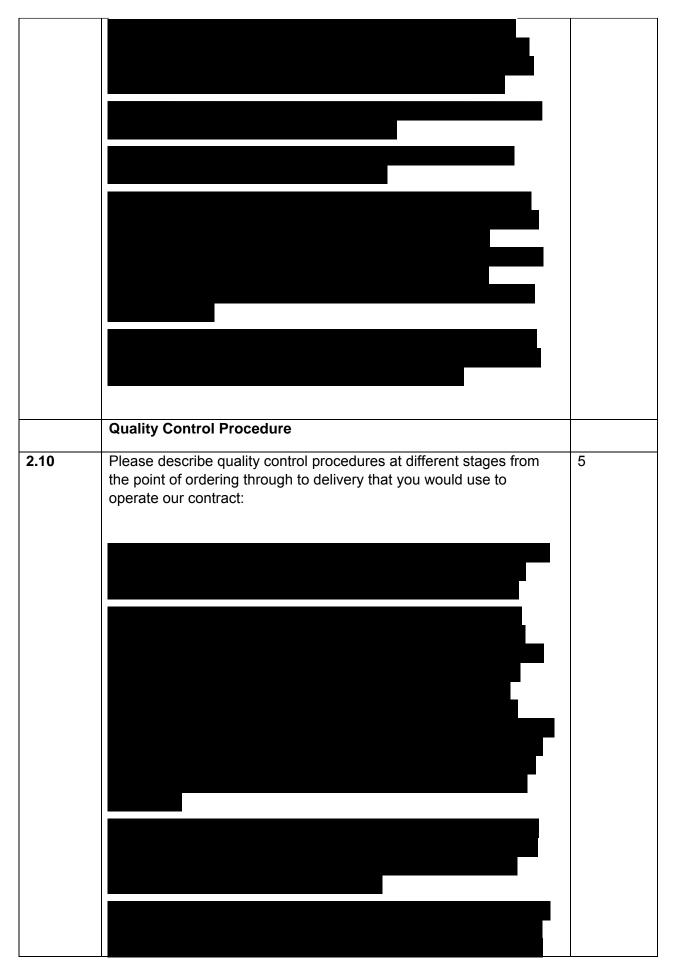


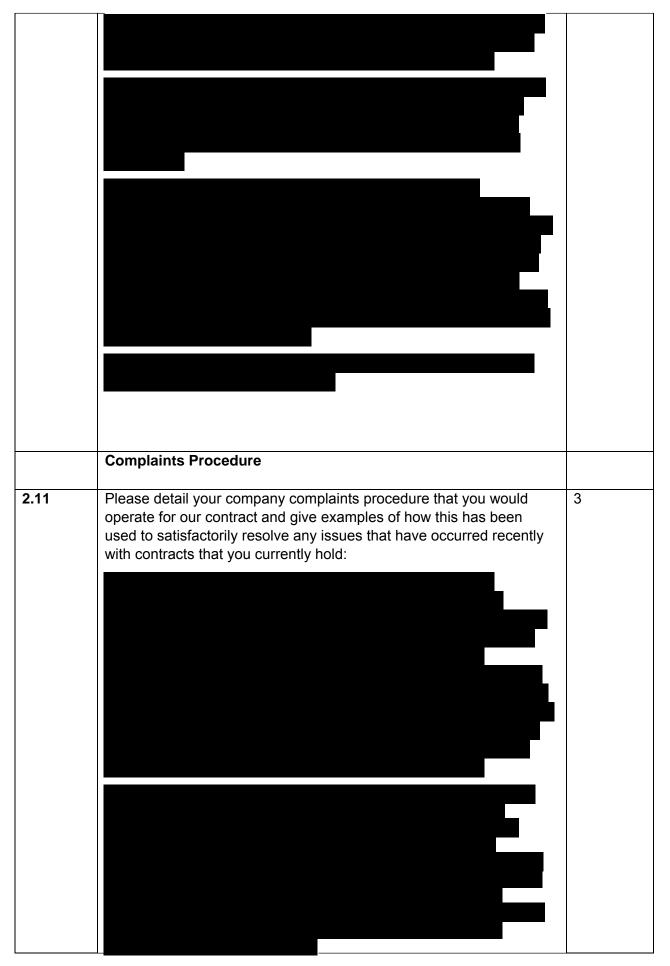














	Warranties Provided	
2.12	Please detail any policy you have regarding warranties (either manufacturer or otherwise) that you would apply to this contract and the process followed in the event of return due to product malfunction or of being in an unsatisfactory condition.	3
	Social Value Proposals	
2.13	Deriving Social Value outcomes from our contracting is important for Shropshire Council.	2
	Accordingly please provide details of any economic, environmental or social benefits you will deliver if you are awarded the contract and undertake the required services:	

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Tender Response Document

IMC 159 – SUPPLY AND DELIVERY OF KITCHEN DISPOSABLES AND LIGHT EQUIPMENT

Name of TENDERING ORGANISATION (please insert)

W.V. Howe Limited

Shropshire Council Tender Response Document

Contract Description:

A contract for the supply and delivery of kitchen disposables and light equipment to Shropshire Council for an initial period of 2 years commencing on 1st August 2015 with the option to extend for a further period of 2 years.

Kitchen disposables and light equipment are required to be delivered on a regular basis to sites across Shropshire, Herefordshire, Worcestershire, Cheshire, North Wales and the West Midlands in line with the requirements of the Council and the specifications included in the tender.

The contract will consist of two lots:-

Lot A: Kitchen Disposables

Lot B: Light Equipment

The Council reserves the right to change, withdraw or include establishments on a temporary or permanent basis to this arrangement as necessary. Further sites may be added and others removed during the duration of this contract dependant on operational requirements.

Tenderers can apply for one or both lots.

<u>Instructions for the completion of this document</u>

- 1. This document must be completed in its entirety with responses being given to <u>all</u> questions. If you are unsure of any section/question and require further clarification, please contact us via our Delta Tenderbox. You are recommended to keep a copy of all tender documents and supporting documents for your own records.
- 2. Tenderers must also complete and sign the four certificates in Sections A1 to A4. These must be signed;
 - a) Where the tenderer is an individual, by that individual;
 - b) Where the tenderer is a partnership, by two duly authorised partners;
 - c) Where the tenderer is a company, by two directors or by a director and the secretary of the company, such persons being duly authorised for the purpose.
- 3. All questions require specific responses from you relating to the organisation named in Section B Question 1.1. All information supplied must be accurate and up to date. The Council reserves the right to refuse to consider your application if the Tender Response Document is not fully completed or is found to be inaccurate.
- 4. Where copies of certificates and other details are requested **a copy must** accompany the electronic copy of your Tender Response Document.

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Award Criteria

Tenderers will be evaluated on the answers they provide in the 'Tender Response Document'. The following award criteria is made up of 'pass/fail' (selection) questions and 'weighted marked' (award) questions and shows how each section is to be marked.

Selection Criteria Pass/Fail Questions (Sections B to E)

This information will be provided for proof of compliance and will be judged on a pass or fail basis. Applicants must comply with these issues to demonstrate their proven competence, financial stability, resources and other arrangements. Questions marked 'For information only' will <u>not</u> be assessed; however they must still be answered in full.

Section / Question No.	Selection Criteria
Section B	Supplier Information – For information only
Section C	Grounds for Mandatory Exclusion
Section D	Grounds for Discretionary Exclusion
Section E	Pass/ Fail Technical and Professional ability

In relation to discretionary exclusion grounds (section D & E):-

Financial viability: Responses will be analysed and evaluated by the Authority's Audit sections and will include checks via an independent agency (currently Equifax).

If the financial analysis of the Applicant (please note financial information provided by consortium members will be evaluated to assess the Applicant consortium as a whole) gives cause for concern as to its ability to deliver the Contract, the Applicant will fail this section.

If the financial analysis of the Applicant does not give any cause for concern as to its ability to deliver the Contract – it shall be deemed to have passed the section.

Please note the Contracting Authority reserves the right to further check the Financial Stability and Capacity of an applicant prior to any award of contract in the manner set out above in order to ensure that they still pass that requirement.

For other Discretionary exclusion grounds: If in the opinion of the Contracting Authority the responses provided casts serious doubt on the Applicant's ability to perform this contract, they may be excluded.

Award Criteria – Weighted Marked Questions

Tenders will be evaluated on the answers provided in this Tender Response Document and judged against the criteria shown in the table below. The following award criteria is made up of 'Quality' and 'Price' and shows how each criteria is to be weighted against each other.

Section / Question Award Criteria No.		Weighting / Max Marks Available				
	Price 60% (600 marks)					
Section F / Q 1.1	Oncost	4 / 40 marks				
Section F / Q 1.2	Settlement Terms	2 / 20 marks				
Section F / Q 1.3	Delivery Cost/Min Order	2 / 20 marks				
Section F / Q 1.4	Price Firm Period	2 / 20 marks				
Section F / Q 1.5	Pricing Schedule	50 / 500 marks				
	Total for price 60 / 600 max marks					
Quality 40% (400 marks)						
Section F / Q 2.1	Added Value	6 / 60 marks				
Section F / Q 2.2	Managing Client Relationship	3 / 30 marks				
Section F / Q 2.3	Placing Orders	3 / 30marks				
Section F / Q 2.4	Timescales	4 / 40 marks				
Section F / Q 2.5	Mobilisation	3 / 30 marks				
Section F / Q 2.6	Payment System	2 / 20 marks				
Section F / Q 2.7	Distribution (location)	2 / 20 marks				

Section F / Q 2.8	Distribution (location)	3 / 30 marks
Section F / Q 2.9	Distribution (vehicles)	1 / 10 marks
Section F / Q 2.10	Quality Control	5 / 50 marks
Section F / Q 2.11	Complaints Procedure	3 / 30 marks
Section F / Q 2.12	Warranty/Returns	3 / 30 marks
Section F / Q 2.13	Social Value Proposals	2/ 20 marks
	Total for quality	40 / 400 max marks

Quality Questions/ Scoring Scheme

Questions within the quality sections shown above will be scored using the following scoring scheme. Each answer from the questions identified below will be given a mark between 0 and 10 with the following meanings:

Assessment	Mark	Interpretation
		Exceeds the requirement.
Excellent	10	Exceptional demonstration by the Tenderer of how they will meet this requirement by their allocation of skills and understanding, resources and quality measures. Response identifies factors that demonstrate added value, with evidence to support the response.
	9	
		Satisfies the requirement with minor additional benefits
Good	8	Above average demonstration by the Tenderer of how they will meet this requirement by their allocation of skills and understanding, resources and quality measures. Response identifies factors that demonstrate added value, with evidence to support the response.
	7	
Acceptable	6	Satisfies the requirement. Demonstration by the Tenderer of how they will meet this requirement by their allocation of skills and understanding, resources and quality measures, with evidence to support the response.
	5	
Minor Reservations	4	Satisfies the requirement with minor reservations Some minor reservations regarding how the Tenderer will meet this requirement by their allocation of skills and understanding, resources and quality measures, with limited evidence to support the response.

	3	
Serious Reservations	2	Satisfies the requirement with major reservations. Considerable reservations regarding how the Tenderer will meet this requirement by their allocation of skills and understanding, resources and quality measures, with little or no evidence to support the response.
	1	
Unacceptable	o	Does not meet the requirement Does not comply and/or insufficient information provided to demonstrate how the Tenderer will meet this requirement by their allocation of skills and understanding, resources and quality measures, with little or no evidence to support the response.

The use of odd numbers indicates an answer's allocated mark lies between definitions.

The tender receiving the highest mark for Quality Criteria overall will receive the full 400 marks available for Quality. Other tenders will receive a % mark that reflects the difference in the marks between those tenders and the tender receiving the highest mark for Quality overall.

Price Evaluation and scoring

Price will be evaluated by using the total costs per pack tendered in Section F, question 1.5 'Pricing Schedule' multiplied by the approximate annual usage (based on the usage information contained in the pricing schedule) and totalled to give an overall basket cost.

The most competitively priced tender for prices within section F 1.5 will receive the maximum mark for price being 500 marks. Less competitive tenders will receive a % of the maximum mark that represents the difference in cost between that tender and the most competitively priced tender.

Please note that the usage figures noted on the pricing schedule include the period in which the Universal Infant Free School Meals initiative was implemented. Please also note that all usage figures provided are for guidance only and no guarantees can be given by the council of the levels of order to be placed under this arrangement.

Section A:

1. Form of Tender

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Form of Tender

Shropshire Council Tender for the Supply and Delivery of Kitchen Disposables and Light Equipment

We confirm that this, our tender, represents an offer to Shropshire Council that if accepted in whole, or in part, will create a binding contract for the Supply and Delivery of Kitchen Disposables and Light Equipment at the prices and terms agreed and subject to the terms of the invitation to tender documentation and the General Terms and Conditions, copies of which we have received.

Signe			Name
Date 6	th May 2015		
Design	nation Sales Di	rector	
Addres	ss 65 Melchett	Road, Kings Norton B	usiness Centre, Birmingham B30 3HP

Section A:

2. Non - Canvassing Certificate

Non-Canvassing Certificate

To: Shropshire Council (hereinafter called "the Council")

I/We hereby certify that I/We have not canvassed or solicited any member officer or employee of the Council in connection with the award of this Tender of any other Tender or proposed Tender for the Services and that no person employed by me/us or acting on my/our behalf has done any such act.

I/We further hereby undertake that I/We will not in the future canvass or solicit any member officer or employee of the Council in connection with the award of this Tender or any other Tender or proposed Tender for the Services and that no person employed by me/us or acting on my/our behalf will do any such act.

Signed (1)		Status Sales Director
Signed (2)		Status Managing Director

Section A:

3. Non - Collusive Tendering Certificate

Non-collusive Tendering Certificate

	To:	Shropshire	Council	(hereinafter	called	"the	Council")
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The essence of selective tendering is that the Council shall receive bona fide competitive Tenders from all persons tendering. In recognition of this principle:

I/We certify that this is a bona fide Tender, intended to be competitive and that I/We have not fixed or adjusted the amount of the Tender or the rates and prices quoted by or under or in accordance with any agreement or arrangement with any other person.

I/We also certify that I/We have not done and undertake that I/We will not do at any time any of the following acts:-

- (a) communicating to a person other than the Council the amount or approximate amount of my/our proposed Tender (other than in confidence in order to obtain quotations necessary for the preparation of the Tender for insurance); or
- (b) entering into any agreement or arrangement with any other person that he shall refrain from Tendering or as to the amount of any Tender to be submitted; or
- (c) offering or agreeing to pay or give or paying any sum of money, inducement or valuable consideration directly or indirectly to any person for doing or having done or causing or having caused to be done in relation to any other Tender or proposed Tender for the Services any act or omission.



Are you or any of your staff who will be affected by this invitation to tender related or connected in any way with any Shropshire Council Elected Councillor or Employee?

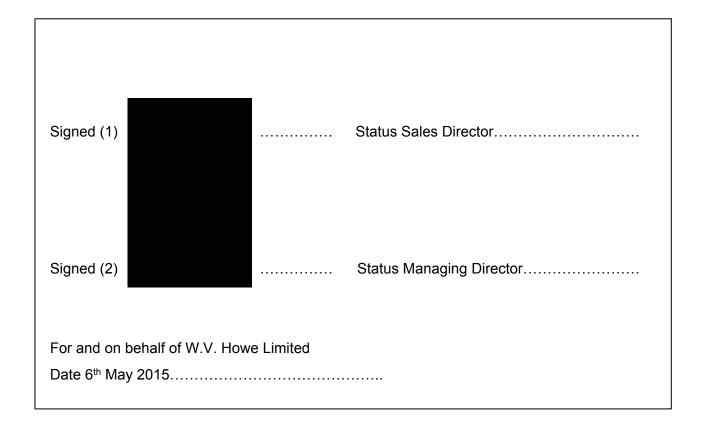
No

If yes, please give details:

Name	Relationship

Please note:

This information is collected to enable the Council to ensure that tenders are assessed without favouritism. Whether or not you have a connection with elected members or employees will have no bearing on the success of your tender, but your tender will not be considered unless this declaration has been completed.



SECTION B

1. Supplier Information

1.1 Supplier details	Answer		
Full name of the Supplier completing the Tender	W.V. Howe Limited		
Registered company address	65 Melchett Road, King 3HP	s Norton Business Centre, Birmingham B30	
Registered company number	507835		
Registered charity number	N/A		
Registered VAT number	109678932		
Name of immediate parent company	N/A		
Name of ultimate parent company	N/A		
Please mark 'X' in the relevant	i) a public limited company	□ Yes	
box to indicate your trading status	ii) a limited company	X Yes	
	iii) a limited liability partnership	□ Yes	
	iv) other partnership	□ Yes	
	v) sole trader	□ Yes	
	vi) other (please specify)	□ Yes	
Please mark 'X' in the relevant	i)Voluntary, Community and Social Enterprise	□ Yes	

boxes to indicate whether any of	(VCSE)	
the following classifications apply	,	
to you	ii) Small or Medium	X Yes
	Enterprise (SME) 1	
	iii) Sheltered	□ Yes
	workshop	
	iv) Public service	□ Yes
	mutual	
1.2 Bidding model		
Please mark 'X' in the relevant be	ox to indicate whethe	vou are:
a) Bidding as a Prime Contracto		of X Yes
the key contract deliverables ye	ourself	
b) Bidding as a Prime Contracto	r and will use third	□ Yes
parties to deliver some of the se		
parase to deriver <u>estino</u> er are ex	3. 1.000	
If yes, please provide details of you	r proposed bidding	
model that includes members of the		
percentage of work being delivered		r
and the key contract deliverables e	ach sub-contractor will	
be responsible for.		
c) Bidding as Prime Contractor	but will operate as a	S. Van
c) Bidding as Prime Contractor Managing Agent and will use th	-	□ Yes
the services	ind parties to deliver <u>all</u>	01
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If yes, please provide details of you	r proposed bidding	
model that includes members of the	e supply chain, the	
percentage of work being delivered	by each sub-contractor	r
and the key contract deliverables e	ach sub-contractor will	
be responsible for.		
d) Didding on a comparation but to	not proposing to accet-	0 0 Yes
d) Bidding as a consortium but r	iot proposing to create	a
new legal entity.		
		Consortium members
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 $^{^1\, {\}sf See}\,\, {\sf EU}\,\, {\sf definition}\,\, {\sf of}\,\, {\sf SME:}\,\, {\sf http://ec.europa.eu/enterprise/policies/sme/facts-figures-analysis/sme-definition-sme-definition-sme-defin$

If yes, please include details of your consortium in the next column and use a separate Appendix to explain the alternative arrangements i.e. why a new legal entity is not being created.	<u>Lead member</u>
Please note that the Authority may require the consortium to assume a specific legal form if awarded the contract, to the extent that it is necessary for the satisfactory performance of the contract.	
e) Bidding as a consortium and intend to create a Special Purpose Vehicle (SPV).	□ Yes
If yes, please include details of your consortium, current lead member and intended SPV in the next column and provide full details of the biding model using a separate Appendix.	Consortium members Current lead member Name of Special Purpose Vehicle

1.3 Contact details			
	Supplier contact details for enquiries about this tender		
Name			
Postal	W.V. Howe Limited		
address	65 Melchett Road		
	Kings Norton Business Centre		
	Birmingham B30 3HP		
Country	UK		
Phone	0121 433 3651		
Mobile			
E-mail			

1.4 Licensing and registration (please mark 'X' in the relevant box)			
1.4.1	Registration with a professional	□ Yes	
	body	X No	
	If applicable, is your business registered with the appropriate trade or professional register(s) in the EU member state where it is established (as set out in	If Yes, please provide the registration number in this box.	

	Annex XI of directive 2014/24/EU) under the conditions laid down by that member state).	
1.4.2	Is it a legal requirement in the state where you are established for you to be licensed or a member of a relevant organisation in order to provide the requirement in this procurement?	 Yes X No If Yes, please provide additional details within this box of what is required and confirmation that you have complied with this.

SECTION C

2. - Grounds for Mandatory Exclusion

You will be excluded from the procurement process if there is evidence of convictions relating to specific criminal offences including, but not limited to, bribery, corruption, conspiracy, terrorism, fraud and money laundering, or if you have been the subject of a binding legal decision which found a breach of legal obligations to pay tax or social security obligations (except where this is disproportionate e.g. only minor amounts involved).

If you have answered "yes" to question 2.2 on the non-payment of taxes or social security contributions, and have not paid or entered into a binding arrangement to pay the full amount, you may still avoid exclusion if only minor tax or social security contributions are unpaid or if you have not yet had time to fulfil your obligations since learning of the exact amount due. If your organisation is in that position please provide details using a separate Appendix. You may contact the authority for advice before completing this form.

2.1 Within the past five years, has your organisation (or any member of your proposed consortium, if applicable), Directors or partner or any other person	Please indicate your answer by marking 'X' in the relevant box.	
who has powers of representation, decision or control been convicted of any of the following offences?	Yes	No
(a) conspiracy within the meaning of section 1 or 1A of the Criminal Law Act 1977 or article 9 or 9A of the Criminal Attempts and Conspiracy (Northern Ireland) Order 1983 where that conspiracy relates to participation in a criminal organisation as defined in Article 2 of Council Framework Decision 2008/841/JHA on the fight against organised crime;		Х
 (b) corruption within the meaning of section 1(2) of the Public Bodies Corrupt Practices Act 1889 or section 1 of the Prevention of Corruption Act 1906; 		Х
(c) the common law offence of bribery;		Х
(d) bribery within the meaning of sections 1, 2 or 6 of the Bribery Act 2010; or section 113 of the Representation of the People Act 1983;		х
(e) any of the following offences, where the offence relates to fraud affecting the European Communities' financial interests as defined by Article 1 of the Convention on the protection of the financial interests of the European		

Communities:	
(i) the offence of cheating the Revenue;	X
(ii) the offence of conspiracy to defraud;	Х
(iii) fraud or theft within the meaning of the Theft Act 1968, the Theft Act (Northern Ireland) 1969, the Theft Act 1978 or the Theft (Northern Ireland) Order 1978;	Х
(iv) fraudulent trading within the meaning of section 458 of the Companies Act 1985, article 451 of the Companies (Northern Ireland) Order 1986 or section 993 of the Companies Act 2006;	Х
(v) fraudulent evasion within the meaning of section 170 of the Customs and Excise Management Act 1979 or section 72 of the Value Added Tax Act 1994;	Х
(vi) an offence in connection with taxation in the European Union within the meaning of section 71 of the Criminal Justice Act 1993;	Х
(vii)destroying, defacing or concealing of documents or procuring the execution of a valuable security within the meaning of section 20 of the Theft Act 1968 or section 19 of the Theft Act (Northern Ireland) 1969;	Х
(viii) fraud within the meaning of section 2, 3 or 4 of the Fraud Act 2006; or	Х
(ix) the possession of articles for use in frauds within the meaning of section 6 of the Fraud Act 2006, or the making, adapting, supplying or offering to supply articles for use in frauds within the meaning of section 7 of that Act;	х
(f) any offence listed—	
(i) in section 41 of the Counter Terrorism Act 2008; or	х
(ii) in Schedule 2 to that Act where the court has determined that there is a terrorist connection;	Х
(g) any offence under sections 44 to 46 of the Serious Crime Act 2007 which relates to an offence covered by subparagraph (f);	Х
(h) money laundering within the meaning of sections 340(11) and 415 of the Proceeds of Crime Act 2002;	х

(i) an offence in connection with the proceeds of criminal conduct within the meaning of section 93A, 93B or 93C of the Criminal Justice Act 1988 or article 45, 46 or 47 of the Proceeds of Crime (Northern Ireland) Order 1996;	X
(j) an offence under section 4 of the Asylum and Immigration (Treatment of Claimants etc.) Act 2004;	X
(k) an offence under section 59A of the Sexual Offences Act 2003;	Х
(I) an offence under section 71 of the Coroners and Justice Act 2009	X
(m) an offence in connection with the proceeds of drug trafficking within the meaning of section 49, 50 or 51 of the Drug Trafficking Act 1994; or	Х
(n) any other offence within the meaning of Article 57(1) of the Public Contracts Directive—	Х
(i) as defined by the law of any jurisdiction outside England and Wales and Northern Ireland; or	Х
(ii) created, after the day on which these Regulations were made, in the law of England and Wales or Northern Ireland.	Х
Non-payment of taxes	Х
2.2 Has it been established by a judicial or administrative decision having final and binding effect in accordance with the legal provisions of any part of the United Kingdom or the legal provisions of the country in which your organisation is established (if outside the UK), that your organisation is in breach of obligations related to the payment of tax or social security contributions?	
If you have answered Yes to this question, please use a separate Appendix to provide further details. Please also use this Appendix to confirm whether you have paid, or have entered into a binding arrangement with a view to paying, including, where applicable, any accrued interest and/or fines?	

SECTION D

3. Grounds for discretionary exclusion - Part 1

The authority may exclude any Supplier who answers 'Yes' in any of the following situations set out in paragraphs (a) to (i);

3.1 Within the past three years, please indicate if any of the following situations have applied, or currently apply, to your organisation.	Please indicate your answer by marking 'X' in the relevant box.	
	Yes	No
(a) your organisation has violated applicable obligations referred to in regulation 56 (2) of the Public Contract Regulations 2015 in the fields of environmental, social and labour law established by EU law, national law, collective agreements or by the international environmental, social and labour law provisions listed in Annex X to the Public Contracts Directive as amended from time to time;		X
(b) your organisation is bankrupt or is the subject of insolvency or winding-up proceedings, where your assets are being administered by a liquidator or by the court, where it is in an arrangement with creditors, where its business activities are suspended or it is in any analogous situation arising from a similar procedure under the laws and regulations of any State;		X
(c) your organisation is guilty of grave professional misconduct, which renders its integrity questionable;		Х
(d) your organisation has entered into agreements with other economic operators aimed at distorting competition;		х
(e) your organisation has a conflict of interest within the meaning of regulation 24 of the Public Contract Regulations 2015 that cannot be effectively remedied by other, less intrusive, measures;		Х
(f) the prior involvement of your organisation in the preparation of the procurement procedure has resulted in a distortion of competition, as referred to in regulation 41, that cannot be remedied by other, less intrusive, measures;		X
(g) your organisation has shown significant or persistent deficiencies in the performance of a substantive requirement under a prior public contract, a prior contract with a contracting entity, or a prior concession contract, which led to early termination of that prior contract, damages or other comparable sanctions;		X

(h) your organisation—	X
(i) has been guilty of serious misrepresentation in supplying the information required for the verification of the absence of grounds for exclusion or the fulfilment of the selection criteria; or	
(ii) has withheld such information or is not able to submit supporting documents required under regulation 59 of the Public Contract Regulations 2015; or	
(i) your organisation has undertaken to	
(aa) unduly influence the decision-making process of the contracting authority, or	X
(bb) obtain confidential information that may confer upon your organisation undue advantages in the procurement procedure; or	X
(j) your organisation has negligently provided misleading information that may have a material influence on decisions concerning exclusion, selection or award.	X

Conflicts of interest

In accordance with question 3.1 (e), the authority may exclude the Supplier if there is a conflict of interest which cannot be effectively remedied. The concept of a conflict of interest includes any situation where relevant staff members have, directly or indirectly, a financial, economic or other personal interest which might be perceived to compromise their impartiality and independence in the context of the procurement procedure.

Where there is any indication that a conflict of interest exists or may arise then it is the responsibility of the Supplier to inform the authority, detailing the conflict in a separate Appendix. Provided that it has been carried out in a transparent manner, routine pre-market engagement carried out by the Authority should not represent a conflict of interest for the Supplier.

Taking Account of Bidders' Past Performance

In accordance with question (g), the authority may assess the past performance of a Supplier (through a Certificate of Performance provided by a Customer or other means of evidence). The authority may take into account any failure to discharge obligations under the previous principal relevant contracts of the Supplier completing this tender. The Authority may also assess whether specified minimum standards for reliability for such contracts are met.

In addition, the authority may re-assess reliability based on past performance at key stages in the procurement process (i.e. supplier selection, tender evaluation, contract award stage etc.). Suppliers may also be asked to update the evidence they provide in this section to

reflect more recent performance on new or existing contracts (or to confirm that nothing has changed).

'Self-cleaning'

Any Supplier that answers 'Yes' to questions 2.1, 2.2 and 3.1 should provide sufficient evidence, in a separate Appendix, that provides a summary of the circumstances and any remedial action that has taken place subsequently and effectively "self cleans" the situation referred to in that question. The supplier has to demonstrate it has taken such remedial action, to the satisfaction of the authority in each case.

If such evidence is considered by the authority (whose decision will be final) as sufficient, the economic operator concerned shall be allowed to continue in the procurement process.

In order for the evidence referred to above to be sufficient, the Supplier shall, as a minimum, prove that it has;

- paid or undertaken to pay compensation in respect of any damage caused by the criminal offence or misconduct;
- clarified the facts and circumstances in a comprehensive manner by actively collaborating with the investigating authorities; and
- taken concrete technical, organisational and personnel measures that are appropriate to prevent further criminal offences or misconduct.

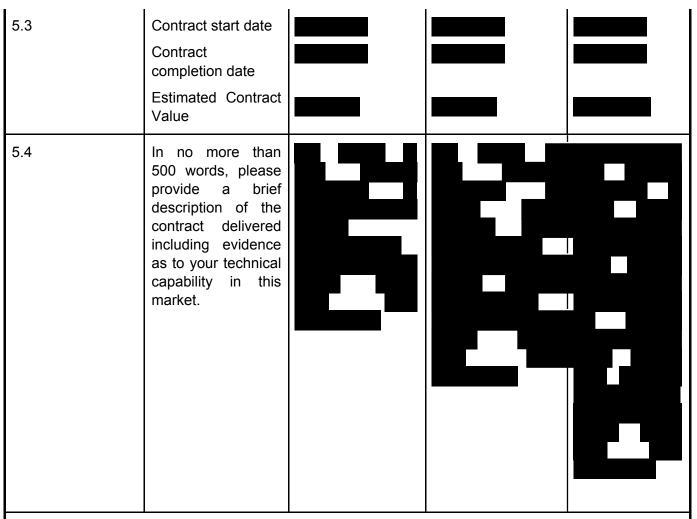
The measures taken by the Supplier shall be evaluated taking into account the gravity and particular circumstances of the criminal offence or misconduct. Where the measures are considered by the Authority to be insufficient, the Supplier shall be given a statement of the reasons for that decision.

4. ECONOMIC AND FINANCIAL STANDING

	FINANCIAL INFORMATION			
4.1	Please provide one of the following to demonstreeconomic/financial standing;	ate your		
	Please indicate your answer with an 'X' in the relevant box.			
	(a) A copy of the audited accounts for the most recent two years	x		
	(b) A statement of the turnover, profit & loss account, current liabilities and assets, and cash flow for the most recent year of trading for this organisation			
	(c) A statement of the cash flow forecast for the current year and a bank letter outlining the current cash and credit position			
	(d) Alternative means of demonstrating financial status if any of the above are not available (e.g. Forecast of turnover for the current year and a statement of funding provided by the owners and/or the bank, charity accruals accounts or an alternative means of demonstrating financial status).			
4.2	(a) Are you are part of a wider group (e.g. a subsidiary of a holding/parent company)?	□ Yes		
	If yes, please provide the name below:	X No		
	Name of the organisation			
	Relationship to the Supplier completing the tender			
	If yes, please provide Ultimate / parent company accounts if available.	□ Yes		
	If yes, would the Ultimate / parent willing to provide a guarantee if necessary?	□ No		
	If no, would you be able to obtain a guarantee elsewhere (e.g from a bank?)	YesNo		

5. TECHNICAL AND PROFESSIONAL ABILITY

5	Relevant exp	perience and contra	ct examples	
	Please provide details of up to <u>three</u> contracts, in any combination from either the public or private sector, that are relevant to the Authority's requirement. Contracts for services should have been performed during the past <u>three</u> years. VCSEs may include samples of grant funded work.			
	The named custome provide written evic accuracy of the inforr			
	Consortia bids should provide relevant examples of where the consortium has delivered similar requirements; if this is not possible (e.g. the consortium is newly formed or a Special Purpose Vehicle will be created for this contract) then three separate examples should be provided between the principal member(s) of the proposed consortium or Special Purpose Vehicle (three examples are not required from each member).			
	Where the Supplier is a Special Purpose Vehicle, or a managing agent not intending to be the main provider of the supplies or services, the information requested should be provided in respect of the principal intended provider(s) or subcontractor(s) who will deliver the supplies and services.			
		Contract 1	Contract 2	Contract 3
5.1	Name of customer organisation			
5.2	Point of contact in customer organisation Position in the organisation E-mail address			



5.5 If you cannot provide at least one example for questions 6.1 to 6.4, in no more than 500 words please provide an explanation for this e.g. your organisation is a new start-up.

N/A

SECTION E

6 - Project specific questions to assess Technical and Professional Ability

Suppliers who self-certify that they meet the requirements for these additional modules will be required to provide evidence of this if they are successful at contract award stage. Please indicate your answer by marking 'X' in the relevant boxes.

Further project specific questions relating to the technical and professional ability of the supplier.

6.1 - Insurance

1.	Please self-certify whether you already have, or can commit to obtain, prior to the commencement of the contract, the levels of insurance cover indicated below:	X	Yes
		0	No
	Employer's (Compulsory) Liability Insurance = £5,000,000		
	Public Liability Insurance = £5,000,000		
	* It is a legal requirement that all companies hold Employer's (Compulsory) Liability Insurance of £5		
	million as a minimum. Please note this requirement is not applicable to Sole Traders.		

6.2 - Compliance with equality legislation

	For organisations working outside of the UK please refer to equivalent legislation in the country that you are located.					
1.	In the last three years, has any finding of unlawful discrimination been made against your organisation by an Employment Tribunal, an Employment Appeal Tribunal or any other court (or in comparable proceedings in any jurisdiction other than the UK)?	YesX No				
2.	In the last three years, has your organisation had a complaint upheld following an investigation by the Equality and Human Rights Commission or its predecessors (or a comparable body in any jurisdiction other than the UK), on grounds or alleged unlawful					

	discrimination?	
	If you have answered "yes" to one or both of the questions in this module, please provide, as a separate Appendix, a summary of the nature of the investigation and an explanation of the outcome of the investigation to date.	
	If the investigation upheld the complaint against your organisation, please use the Appendix to explain what action (if any) you have taken to prevent unlawful discrimination from reoccurring.	
	You may be excluded if you are unable to demonstrate to the Authority's satisfaction that appropriate remedial action has been taken to prevent similar unlawful discrimination reoccurring.	
3.	If you use sub-contractors, do you have processes in place to check whether any of the above circumstances apply to these other organisations?	YesN/ANo

6.3 – Environmental Management

1.	Has your organisation been convicted of breaching environmental legislation, or had any notice served upon it, in the last three years by any environmental regulator or authority (including local authority)?	X	Yes	
	If your answer to the this question is "Yes", please provide details in a separate Appendix of the conviction or notice and details of any remedial action or changes you have made as a result of conviction or notices served.			
	The Authority will not select bidder(s) that have been prosecuted or served notice under environmental legislation in the last 3 years, unless the Authority is satisfied that appropriate remedial action has been taken to prevent future occurrences/breaches.			
2.	If you use sub-contractors, do you have processes in place to check whether any of these organisations have been convicted or had a notice served upon them for infringement of environmental legislation?	N/	Yes 'A No	1

6.4 - Health & Safety

1.	Please self-certify that your organisation has a Health and Safety Policy that complies with current legislative requirements.	X Yes	
2.	Has your organisation or any of its Directors or Executive Officers been in receipt of enforcement/remedial orders in relation to the Health and Safety Executive (or equivalent body) in the last 3 years?	□ Yes X No	
	If your answer to this question was "Yes", please provide details in a separate Appendix of any enforcement/remedial orders served and give details of any remedial action or changes to procedures you have made as a result.		
	The Authority will exclude bidder(s) that have been in receipt of enforcement/remedial action orders unless the bidder(s) can demonstrate to the Authority's satisfaction that appropriate remedial action has been taken to prevent future occurrences or breaches.		
3.	If you use sub-contractors, do you have processes in place to check whether any of the above circumstances apply to these other organisations?	□ Yes N/A □ No	

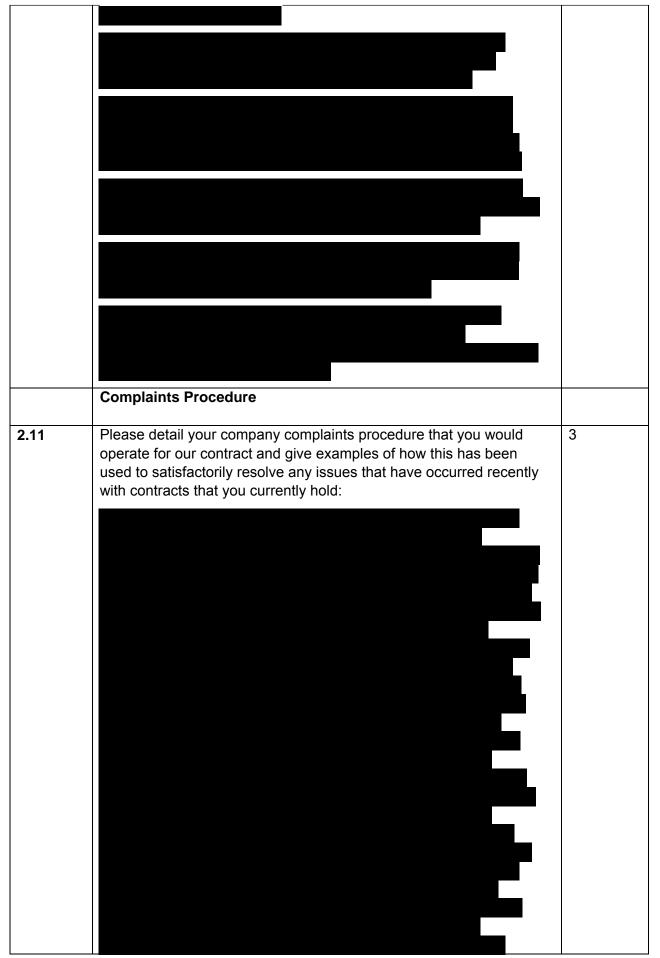
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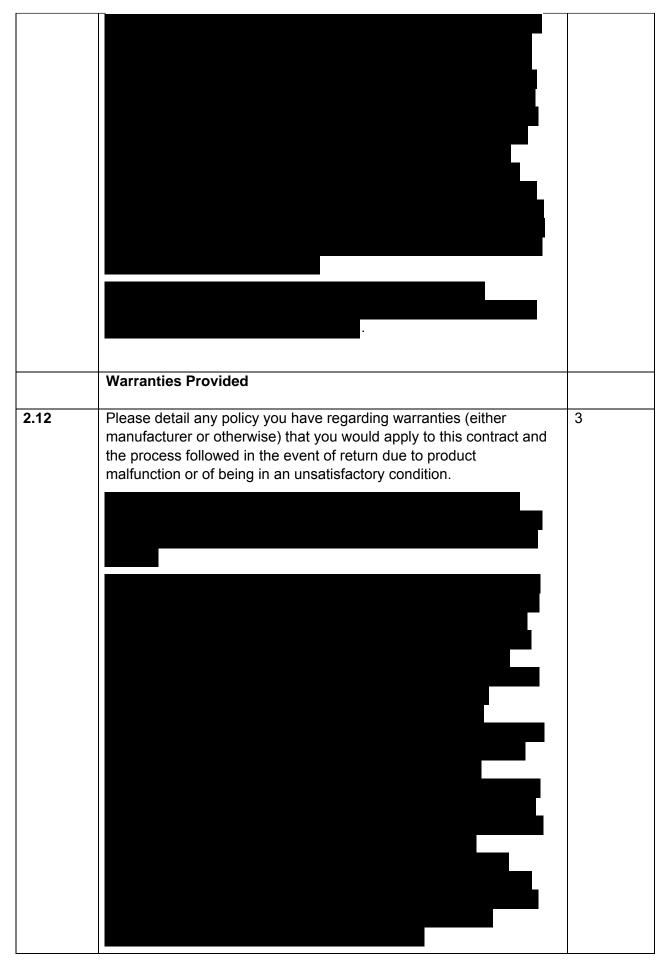
1.	Pricing Schedule	
1.1	Please confirm the on cost % that you have applied to your tendered prices to arrive at your net price into unit	4
1.2	Settlement terms (additional discount):	2
1.3	Please detail any delivery cost and minimum order value:	2
1.4	Please detail the price firm period:	2
1.5	Detailed Prices Please fully complete the pricing schedule by inserting your tendered case size and delivered price in to the individual establishment.	50

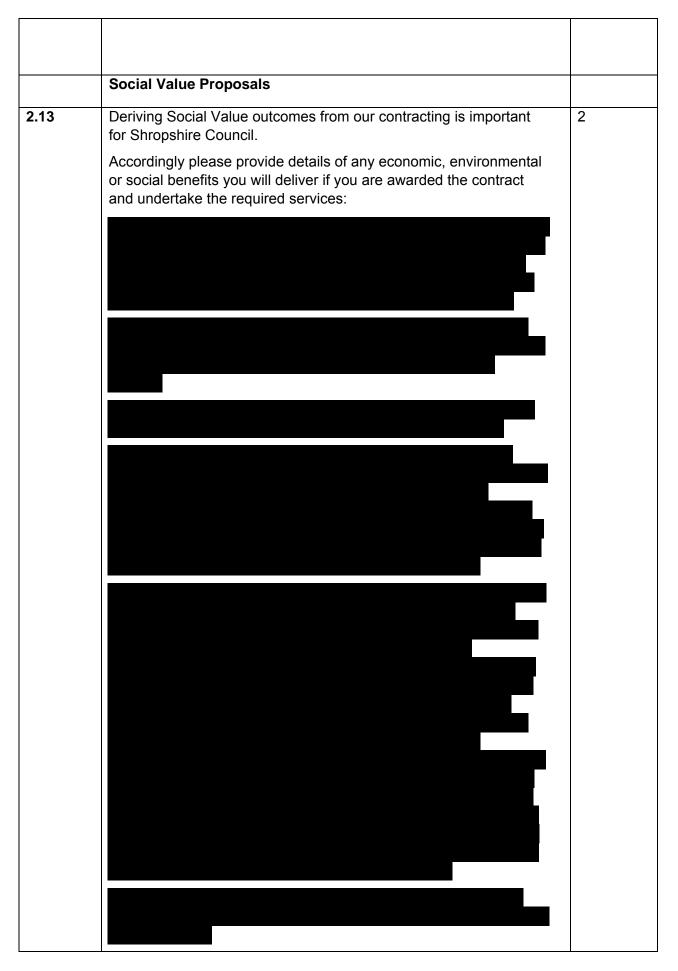
2	Tender Quality of Service Response	
	Added Value Products, Services and Client Relationship Management	
2.1	Please indicate any products or services you provide that would add value to this contract and help enhance the quality of the service we provide to our clients.	6
2.2	Please detail how your company would manage client relationships if you were successful in being awarded this contract.	3
	Placing of Orders, Order and Delivery Timescales	
2.3	Please detail your company policy on the placing of orders and detail all available ways individual sites can place orders with your company that you would operate for our contract.	3

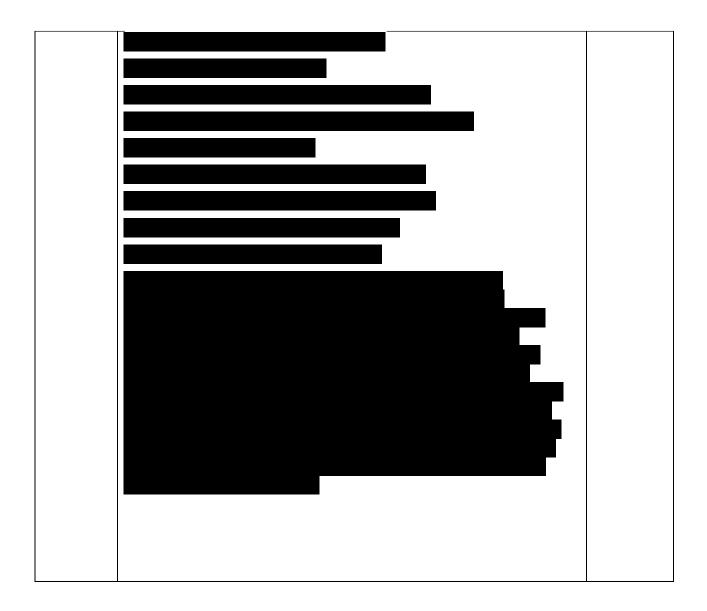
2.4	Dispose state what your timescales would be in energting this	1
2.4	Please state what your timescales would be in operating this	4
	contract with respect to the placing of orders through to delivery of	
	items to each of our individual sites. Also indicate minimum order	
	times.	
	Mobilisation	
2.5	This contract is due to commence on the 1st August 2015. Please	3
	outline what support you would offer to us and how you would	
	manage the mobilisation of this contract.	
	manage the medication of the contract.	
	Payment System	
2.6	Please give full details of your payment system (including any	2
	option for electronic invoicing) to be applied to this contract, also	
	including provision for the payment of a retrospective rebate on	
	purchases:	
	I .	

	Delivery and Distribution	
2.7	Please state from which locations our orders will be processed and distributed from?	2
2.8	In operating our contract you would need to be working and delivering across regions that are sparsely populated. Please confirm what problems you would consider may arise and how you would counter these and illustrate where you have overcome such problems in other areas.	3
	Delivery Fleet	
2.9	Please list full details of your delivery fleet indicating types of vehicles, number, size, age, refrigeration and freezer functions, location/operating base and fleet renewal programme that you would use to operate our contract.	1
	Quality Control Procedure	
2.10	Please describe quality control procedures at different stages from the point of ordering through to delivery that you would use to operate our contract:	5









personal & commercial info



Nobisco Limited 20 Gavin Way Holford Industrial Park Witton Birmingham B6 7AF Shropshire Council Shirehall Abbey Foregate Shrewsbury Shropshire SY2 6ND

Date: 30th June 2015

Emailed to:

Dear Sirs

IMC 159 - THE SUPPLY AND DELIVERY OF KITCHEN DISPOSABLES AND LIGHT EQUIPMENT: LOT A SUBJECT TO CONTRACT

This is an Award Decision Notice pursuant to Regulation 32 of The Public Contracts Regulations 2006 (the "Regulations").

We are pleased to inform you that, following the evaluation process, Shropshire Council proposes to accept your offer to form part of the above contract as set out in your recent tender.

However, this letter is not, at this stage, a communication of Shropshire Council's formal acceptance of your offer. A mandatory "standstill" period is now in force pursuant to Regulation 32A of the Regulations; this period will end at midnight on 10th July 2015.

Subject to Shropshire Council receiving no notice during the standstill period of any intention to legally challenge the award process, the Council aims to conclude the award of the framework/contract after the expiry of the standstill period.

We can confirm that your tender received the following scores and ranking:-

Criteria	Your Weighted Score	Highest Scoring Tenderer's Total Weighted Marks	Your Rank (out of all 6 tenders received)
Quality	378		
Price	76		
Pricing Schedule	500		
Overall	954		

Please find details of the marks allocated to you for Quality and reasoning behind the Quality marks as follows:-











We will be in touch with you again at the end of the standstill period.

Yours faithfully



Shire Services Manager Shropshire Council Project Officer Shropshire Council



W.V. Howe Limited 65 Melchett Road Kings Norton Business Centre Birmingham B30 3HP Shropshire Council Shirehall Abbey Foregate Shrewsbury Shropshire SY2 6ND

Date: 30th June 2015

Emailed to:

Dear Sirs

IMC 159 - THE SUPPLY AND DELIVERY OF KITCHEN DISPOSABLES AND LIGHT EQUIPMENT: LOT B SUBJECT TO CONTRACT

This is an Award Decision Notice pursuant to Regulation 32 of The Public Contracts Regulations 2006 (the "Regulations").

We are pleased to inform you that, following the evaluation process, Shropshire Council proposes to accept your offer to form part of the above contract as set out in your recent tender.

However, this letter is not, at this stage, a communication of Shropshire Council's formal acceptance of your offer. A mandatory "standstill" period is now in force pursuant to Regulation 32A of the Regulations; this period will end at midnight on 10th July 2015.

Subject to Shropshire Council receiving no notice during the standstill period of any intention to legally challenge the award process, the Council aims to conclude the award of the framework/contract after the expiry of the standstill period.

We can confirm that your tender received the following scores and ranking:-

Criteria	Your Weighted Score	Highest Scoring Tenderer's Total Weighted Marks	Your Rank (out of all 6 tenders received)
Quality	395		
Price	85		
Pricing Schedule	500		
Overall	980		

Please find details of the marks allocated to you for Quality and reasoning behind the Quality marks as follows:-







