

ENERGY STRATEGY TENDER: Q&A

1. Given that the LEP allows “any additional information that you believe will be relevant to this tender opportunity”, would the LEP welcome hyperlinks to external sources rather than references to appendices? Would the tender response therefore be read and marked on a PC or would it be printed off?

We are happy to receive hyperlinks to external sources, in terms of examples of similar work, but would not want to receive an application form that relies too heavily on these; the text provided in the application form should stand on its own merits. We will print off application forms and supporting appendices, but will look at any hyperlinks to external sources on a PC.

2. There is no explicit mention of any stakeholder engagement with regards to the requirements of the work. Is this something the LEP would want? Will any work be done by the LEP in terms of stakeholder engagement; lists of key stakeholders etc.?

Yes, SEMLEP would expect some stakeholder engagement to be undertaken as part of this project in order to arrive at a well thought-through Energy Strategy; however, much of this can be done through existing SEMLEP groups and contacts.

3. Can we confirm that the budget is £40,000 **inclusive** of VAT and that therefore it is £32,000 exclusive of VAT?

Yes, the budget is £40,000 inclusive of VAT.