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Clarification no.	Document / Clause Ref	Question	PPU Response
1	General	Can you give a clarification as to what would be seen as match funding, for example we are funding and the LA's are funding different offenders management programs some of the offenders are perpetrators of Domestic Abuse would we be able to show a match funding through this programmes	Original Response: Match funding must be directed towards the continuation of the Perpetrator Programme that will be funded through this bid. This is to ensure the programme runs for twelve months which will provide sustainable support and a stronger basis for evaluation. Please see Q41.
2	General	What amount of match funding are you looking for	We expect the match funding to support the programme to continue for a further six months in the same capacity. This is to ensure the programme offers a consistent level of support for twelve months. Please see Q41.
3	General	Is the funding allocated over 18months? In one of the documents it states that the expectation is for the program to run over 6 months for which funding will be received and the expectation is for partners to be able to run it for further 6 months.	The Home Office funding is for this financial year only and therefore will end on 31 March 2021. Given we are partway through the financial year, we expect PCC(s) via the match funding to fund the programme for a further six months to ensure sustainability. Please also see Q41.

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4	Evaluation Guidance – Part C	<p>I am just reviewing the documentation for the Perpetrator Programme Fund 2020. The Evaluation Guidance C2 asks:</p> <p>C1 - Please provide a description for your plans for adopting the Drive programme (2 pages maximum), as an attachment, setting out the proposed activity to achieve effective adoption of the Drive model in your area.</p> <p>My understanding is that this fund is for programmes other than Drive?</p> <p>Please can you clarify.</p>	This error has been corrected on 21/08/2020.
5	Evaluation Guidance – Part C	<p>C2 provides the definition of domestic abuse for this fund. It states age of 16 and over, however in the fund guidance it was advised the Home Office was also interested in child to parent abuse. Can you confirm that any child to parent programme would need to work with only those over the age of 16?</p>	<p>For programmes that target child to parent violence, the perpetrator can be aged below 16.</p> <p>We have clarified this in the evaluation criteria.</p>
6	Statement of Outcomes - Essential Criteria p7	<p>Please confirm that the match funding requirement does not have to be provided by the PCC as lead bidder, but by the Local Authority the PCC is "sponsoring" a bid for and who has commissioned the programme (or is aiming to)?</p>	<p>The match funding can be provided by any organisation bidding for the fund.</p> <p>Please also see Q41.</p>

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7	General Instructions - s 11.2	Where a PCC is proposing to "sponsor" a programme on behalf of a Local Authority where it is not directly involved in the delivery of, can all documents under Call for Proposals be shared with the Local Authority to enable submission within deadline?	Yes, documents can be shared with all partnering organisations.
8	Statement of Outcomes - s 3	Please confirm that stalking perpetrator behaviour change programmes are eligible to bid for this fund? If so, is this for all stalking or is there a requirement for the bid to be proportionate to levels of domestic abuse within the programme?	The fund is for domestic abuse perpetrators. Stalking carried out by a former intimate partner or by a family member falls within the Government definition of domestic abuse. Any programme that provides a service that addresses perpetrators of domestic abuse will be eligible for funding.
9	Statement of Outcomes - s 6 (Monitoring & Evaluation)	Please confirm whether the match funding element required for at least 6 months delivery in 21-22 also applies to any evaluation activity included in bid, or if the funding in this FY can be utilised to conduct within this grant funded time period?	We can only provide funding for this financial year. Any funding required beyond 31 March 2021 must be included in the match-funding. Please also see Q41.

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10	Statement of Outcomes - Essential Criteria p7	Please confirm whether or not a specific Evaluation Plan is required as part of bid? Statement of Outcomes Essential Criteria states this but Evaluation Guidance states "text" and allows 300 words.	300 word plan is sufficient for now. Successful bidders will get further instructions once their bid is confirmed.
11	Statement of Outcomes - s 9.5 and questionnaire response(s)	Please confirm whether the financial details required in the questionnaire applies to local authorities or PCCs, if PCC is "sponsoring" a bid and not directly involved in delivery (financial or operational)?	The details should be for the organisation receiving the funding.
12	Technical and Professional Capability Section C2 Outcomes	EVALUATION CRITERIA - needs updating as refers to DRIVE Programme and not Perp Programme.	A replacement Evaluation Criteria document (v3) has already been added to the portal and should show the correct details - you will need to download this version.

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13	Technical and Professional Capability Section C3 Needs and Additionality	EVALUATION CRITERIA - needs updating as refers to DRIVE Programme and not Perp Programme.	Response as per Clarification Question 12.
14	Technical and Professional Capability Section C6 Monitoring and Evaluation	Accepting that no meaningful evaluation can be fully completed until the end of the life of the project (would include the time period of the HO grant and proposed OPCC match funding)..... will the HO accept and pay costs for an Evaluation Process that would not take at the end of the life of the project?	We can only provide funding for this financial year. Any funding required beyond 31 March 2021 must be included in the match-funding.
15	Perpetrator Fund 2020 - Funding Toolkit - Section 1.1	Bid Title refers to the DRIVE Programme.	A replacement Funding Toolkit document (v2) has now been added to the portal and should show the correct details - you will need to download this version.

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16	Perpetrator Fund 2020 - Funding Toolkit - Section 2.1	Funding period ask for costs 1st April 2018-31st March 2019?	Response as per Clarification Question 15.
17	Contracts Finder Advert Section 10 Statement of Outcomes 2020/21 Section 10 Size of Grant	Contracts Finder Section 10, states each bid must be for MINIMUM of £200,000 and MAXIMUM of £1M for the financial year 2020/21 Statement of Outcomes 2020/21 Section 10 - does not make reference to a minimum amount for each bid. Is there a minimum amount you can bid for or not? If so, please clarify what the minimum amount is.	The minimum bid must be for £200,000.
18	Contracts Finder Advert Section 12 Statement of Outcomes Document - Section 6	Contract Finder Advert Section 12 - states 'We will consider investment already made in delivering interventions during the first half of 2020' Statement of Outcomes Section 6 states 'Proposals will be for additional activity not currently provided for through service provision funded by another national or local commissioning body e.g. PCC, CCG Local Authority. Are you accepting bids where project delivery/ interventions are already taking place or not?	The Statement of Outcomes also states that we will consider bids that seek to build on existing work. In these cases, bidders should demonstrate how the service will be expanded and clearly demonstrate the need for additional funding.

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19	<p>Contracts Finder Advert Section 12</p> <p>Statement of Outcomes Document - Section 18</p>	<p>Contracts Finder Section 12 states ' Organisations must be aware that the allocation of funds will not be until after the signature of the Grant Agreement likely to be September 2020.</p> <p>Statement of Outcomes - Section 18 - bidders are informed of outcomes by October.</p> <p>When do we know Outcomes for bidders and when will a Grant Agreement be issued?</p>	<p>We aim to inform bidders before the end of September.</p>
20	<p>Statement of Outcomes Section 3 - Background</p>	<p>States a breakdown of funds open to Police and Crime Commissioners across England and Wales, covering the period upto March 2021.</p> <p>£1.1m funding for implementation of Drive £5M funding for perpetrator programmes £.04M for reserach on perpetrators of domestic abuse?</p> <p>What date is the £0 .4m for research on perpetrators of domestic abuse going to be made available?</p>	<p>The research fund will go to tender shortly.</p>
21	<p>General</p>	<p>Please can you clarify if the match funding has to be:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • equal to the amount of funding your proposal requests. • solely cash or can it be an in-kind contribution. 	<p>Original Response: We expect the match funding to support the programme to continue for a further six months in the same capacity. This is to ensure the programme offers a consistent level of support for twelve months.</p> <p>Updated 03/09/2020: Please See Q41.</p>

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22	General – Match Funding	<p>From my understanding the Home Office is looking to fund 6 months worth of a programme (October to March) with the expectation that PCC's will match fund to extend the programme from April to September?</p> <p>If this is the case, due to probability of PCC then having to do a tender process for a service, realistically a programme would not start until December. Therefore we will only be bidding for 4 months worth of a programme from Home Office, with PCC's having to fund 6 months.</p> <p>Can the evaluation costs be added to the bid, even though an evaluation wouldn't be done until the PCC funded portion?</p>	<p>Yes, the evaluation costs should be included in the amount of funding that bidders are seeking but HO can only fund the costs associated with this financial year, i.e. until 31 March 2021</p>
23	Perpetrator Programmes Statement of Outcomes 2020-2021 - 1. Introduction - Match funding	<p>We are about to go live with a Countywide Standard Level Perpetrator and Victim Support Service using the CARA Programme. Can costs during the first half of 2020 AND the ongoing contract investment be counted as match funding?</p>	<p>Match funding needs to sustain the programme beyond March 2021 when the Home Office funding comes to an end. Any investment needs to be available to continue the programme for another six months.</p> <p>Please also see Q41.</p>
24	Statement of outcomes - 10.size of grant / Contract finder advert - point 10: eligibility (page 7)	<p>The contract summary states that each bid should be for a minimum of £200,000. However statement of outcome does not identify a minimum figure. Is there a minimum amount of funding that can be requested?</p>	<p>The minimum level of funding that can be requested is the same as what is in the contract finder £200k.</p>

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25	Contract Finder Advert - Point 10	The Contract Finder Advert states "Each bid must be for a minimum of £200,000 and maximum of £1,000,000 for this financial year." However there is no reference to a minimum bid of £200k in any of the other bid documentation and the Statement of Outcomes document only references the £1m max amount. Can you please confirm the minimum bid amount.	The minimum level of funding that can be requested is the same as what is in the contract finder £200k.
26	Contract Finder Advert - "The Perpetrator Fund"	This section sets out that there is £0.4m to be allocated to research on perpetrators. When will this fund be available to bid into?	This competition is not yet live. We will make information relating to this funding available as soon as possible.
27	Contract Finder Advert - "The Perpetrator Fund"	This section sets out that £6.5m of the £10m has been allocated to the 3 available funds. What has the rest of the funding been allocated to or will it be made available to PCCs to bid into and is there an indicative timescale for this?	The remainder of the funding from the £10m will be used to deliver other strands of work relating to DA perpetrators that are more niche or confined to certain areas. This will not be applicable for PCCs.

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28	General	<p>The bid states a minimum bid of £200,000 and a maximum bid of £1,000,000. Do these figures include the 6 months match funding? For example; a £200,000 bid consisting of £100,000 bid to the fund and £100,000 match funding. Or would the minimum bid be for £400,000, consisting of a £200,000 bid and £200,000 match funding?</p>	No
29	Contract Advert	<p>Please clarify if the Research Fund (£0.4m) and associated activity is incorporated into both the Drive and Perpetrator Fund? It has been assumed this is the case as 2 funds have been released and evaluation activity is referenced as part of bids for both funds.</p>	See answer to Q.26
30		[Removed as relates specifically to the PCC's bid]	

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31	Statement of outcomes - introduction & essential criteria	The introduction states that you will consider funding investment already made in delivering interventions and the essential criteria states bids must be of additional activity not currently provided. The two seem at odds with each other, we have a co-funded (Local Authority & PCC) perpetrator programme which ends February 2021 can we bid for funding to support this? PCC & partners would commit to match funding in the next financial year	The Intent is to build on or continue existing programmes, not just start new ones. Bid needs to demonstrate additionality – so bridging funding gap at end FY20/21 ahead of new funding in FY21/22 would fit this, especially if programme evaluation is part of activity too.
32	Statement of outcomes - introduction & essential criteria	We have an existing Perpetrator Programme which has had to deliver differently because of Covid, can we bid for funding for the development of the different ways of working and also continuing them to the end of the contract (February 20)?	Yes, as long as bids for proposals for the DA Perpetrator Fund meet the eligibility criteria and answer the questions to demonstrate suitability for this fund.
33	RFP - General	As part of our commitment to developing and enhancing the perpetrator programme offer within our local area, we wish to conduct a mapping and evaluation exercise which looks at what exists locally, pathways and evaluation of this provision to provide guidance around next steps. Can funding to do this mapping work form part of our bid?	See response to Q.32

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34	RFP - General	In order to enhance the perpetrator offer to address the needs of a wider number of perpetrators, can we apply for funding for multiple providers to provide different elements of a programme (e.g APVA, BME programme) within one bid? The programme would be collectively managed by the OPCC as a county perpetrator model.	Yes – any potential bids can work with any number of delivery partners. Bidders must ensure they have discussed and gained agreement from each potential delivery partner.
35	RFP - General	Can the OPCC and local authorities use "staff time" dedicated toward the management of the programmes as an element of match funding.	Please see answer to Q.1
36	General	Where there are existing programmes of work being piloted would Home Office consider utilising this Perpetrator fund for the existing pilot in order for the bidder to repurpose allocated funding to ensure sustainability and match funding post April 2021	Any potential bid will be considered on its own merits. Any funding the Home Office awards will be up until 31 March 2021 and bidders must outline within their bid how the programme will be sustained beyond this point to ensure there is a strong basis for the evaluation.

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37	General	Contract advert mentions £0.4 mil for research. When is more information being released about this. Can the Perpetrator fund be used for research if exploring whole system approach?	Please see response to Q.26
38	General	Can PCC submit multiple proposals	Yes, as long as they are registered separately. Bidders may not receive separate grant funding to deliver the same set of interventions.
39	question	question 1.2.2 C1 references DRIVE assume this is an error	Yes, this has been rectified

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40	General	Would Home Office consider as match funding if the PCC has started a one year pilot project in the first 6 months 20/21 and wishes to utilise Home Office funding to add additional services within the last 6 months of the pilot until end of 20/21.	This would not meet the criteria of the fund as bidders need to provide match funding to sustain the additional services beyond 31 March 2021 so that they run for at least 12 months in order to ensure there is a strong basis for the evaluation.
41	General	MATCH FUNDING	Match funding can be in kind, e.g. match funding could take the form of a financial contribution, staff time, volunteer time or as part of the commitment to maintain interventions in future years.
42	General	The above fund states that match funding is required – could this be “in kind” in terms of people’s salaries where they are taken onto such a project?	Please see Q41.

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43	General	Is there a closing date by which we have to register and are able to ask questions or is it just the overall bid closing date of 15th Sept that we have to be mindful of?	These dates are available on the Contracts Finder advert, General Instructions to Bidders document and on the Jaggaer eSourcing portal.
44	General	In terms of the match funding requirements for 6 months min from April 1st 2021, would this be 100% match funding? I.e. if the funding from the HO is for a minimum of £200k for October 20 – March 21, we would have to find a further £200k for April 21 – Sept 21.	Match funding must be directed towards the continuation of the Perpetrator Programme that will be funded through this bid. This is to ensure the programme runs for twelve months which will provide sustainable support and a stronger basis for evaluation. However, please also see Q41.
45	General	If the minimum £200K match funding (to continue the programme for 6 months) isn't available will applications still be considered or ruled out straight away?	Match funding must be directed towards the continuation of the Perpetrator Programme that will be funded through this bid. This is to ensure the programme runs for twelve months which will provide sustainable support and a stronger basis for evaluation. However, please also see Q41.

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46	General Instructions to Bidders and Conditions of Call for Proposals	Following confirmation that the deadline for bids has been extended to the 29th September, please can you provide an indication of when: 1) the Home Office Panel will review bids. 2) bidders will be informed of the outcomes.	We intend to assess the bids immediately and bidders will be informed as soon as possible to allow funding to be released promptly.
47	Evaluation Criteria - Qs C9 & C10	What is the approach if answers to scalability Qs result in amount of funding then required being under £200k bid limit?	We will only scale bids if the total bids exceed the funding available. In this event, we may need to scale some proposals down.
48	Match Funding	What is the approach if answers to scalability Qs result in amount of funding then required being under £200k bid limit?	We will only scale bids if the total bids exceed the funding available. In this event, we may need to scale some proposals down.

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49	Match Funding	How does the new flexible approach to this affect level of 6 month operational delivery requested as part of match funding requirement (particularly in relation to staffing)?	<p>We wish to run programmes for 12 months in order to ensure we can do robust evaluation on outcomes.</p> <p>You are welcome to profile the spending accordingly and offer match-funding of any kind for the remaining months.</p>
50	Match Funding	How will bids be assessed in relation level/type of match funding committed (in kind for example), given the new flexible approach? Will the assessment criteria be updated to reflect and can you provide assurances that those looking to provide in-kind will not be disadvantaged?	Bids that offer match-funding in-kind will not be disadvantaged. The aim is to ensure that the programme can run sustainably beyond March 2021.
51	Funded Activities	Due to the size of some larger PCCs, can you confirm all bids for similar activity within that PCC will be considered on their individual merit and that you will not automatically consider this duplication?	This will not be considered a duplication.

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52	Clarification Questions - deadline	In line with the welcomed extension to bid submission deadline, can you please extend the deadline for clarification questions too?	Yes – the final date for submitting clarification questions will now be 15 September 2020 at 4pm.
53	Delivery Start Date	Given the extension to bid submission deadline, can you please update/confirm when you expect delivery to commence? Delivery will now not be able to commence on 1st October 2020 as originally intended	We expect delivery to commence once funding is confirmed. This will no longer be by 1 October but will be done as soon as possible once the competition closes.
54	Resources	Please confirm if funding can be requested for Police Officers/resources who are directly involved in the delivery of programmes?	Yes, provided they are working on the programme, they can be considered a staff cost.