

**REFERENCE NUMBER:** SPAPC.ERDF 004/2018

Restoration of St Paul's Anglican Pro-Cathedral

## **NEGOTIATED PROCEDURE**

**TENDER FOR THE RESTORATION OF THE EXTERNAL & INTERNAL FABRIC OF THE TOWER & SPIRE, & OTHER INVESTIGATIVE AND ANCILLARY WORKS**

### **CLARIFICATION NOTE 3**

25<sup>th</sup> September 2019

**1. Clarification sought:**

**Type of Scaffolding**

If a prefabricated scaffolding system is used, the distance between the individual poles may not perfectly meet the knots of bracing. Is this acceptable?

**Clarification reply:**

The scaffolding system is required to match the modularity of the bracing frame.

**2. Clarification sought:**

**Type of Access Stair**

Is a staircase having a width of 64cm acceptable?

**Clarification reply:**

According to the specifications, the clear width should not be less than 800mm. The proposed staircase width does not comply with the specifications.

**3. Clarification sought:**

**Minimum Deck Height**

Is a minimum free height of 175cm between poles acceptable?

**Clarification reply:**

The minimum headroom, as per specifications and Health & Safety regulations, should be of 1.9m.

#### **4. Clarification sought:**

##### **Wind and Anchors of the Vertical Walls of the Bell**

Will the scaffolding have to be covered with a continuous full PVC towel or net with reduced wind resistance?

#### **Clarification reply:**

A net is to be installed, as per specifications, and not a continuous full PVC sheet.

#### **5. Clarification sought:**

##### **Wind and Anchors of the Vertical Walls of the Bell**

Can the anchors of the outdoor scaffolding be made only at the openings/windows of the bell tower or is it possible to make holes with anchor bolts?

#### **Clarification reply:**

The scaffolding may be anchored to the masonry, if necessary. However, the typology of anchorage is to be specified.

#### **6. Clarification sought:**

##### **Wind and Anchors of the Vertical Walls of the Bell**

Can holes be made for anchors bolts and the scaffolding and hoist?

#### **Clarification reply:**

The scaffolding and hoist may be anchored to the masonry, if necessary. However, the typology of anchorage is to be specified.

#### **7. Clarification sought:**

##### **Wind and Anchors of the Vertical Walls of the Bell**

All metal decks can carry a load of 600 daN/m<sup>2</sup>, but in the scaffolding design only one deck is 100% loaded floor and a second deck loaded at 50%. It is impossible to consider 3 deck loaded 100%.

#### **Clarification reply:**

The proposal does not comply with the specifications, which requires 3 no. platforms to be loaded with 6kN/m<sup>2</sup>. If this is not deemed to be possible, a variant solution may be proposed. However, this might result in a change of working methodology, with less than 3 no. platforms being used at one time, based on the variant solution proposed.

Note: The clarifications above do not superseded the tender documents or specifications.

