(d) Each requirement within the Specification shall be classified using the following criteria:-

Criteria	Weighting
M – Mandatory (If a Tenderer is	3
unable to comply with this	
requirement their response shall be	
excluded from consideration).	
HD – Highly Desirable	2
D – Desirable	1
I - Information	0

D Equality and diversity

West Midlands Police is committed to promoting equality of access and opportunity for all and we will evaluate your company for equality in employment and, where appropriate, service delivery. We have set a number of questions below that we need you to answer to enable us to make a fair and accurate assessment of how, as an employer and service provider, you have dealt with equality issues. Please ensure that you answer every question as failure to provide the information requested may result in your company being rejected.

The questions are based on those specified by the Secretary of State under Section 18(5) of the Local Government Act 1988, modified and extended as permitted by Orders made under Section 19 of the Local Government Act 1999. They have also been developed in accordance with our duties and commitments under the European Procurement Directive 2004/18/EU and the subsequent UK Public Contract Regulations 2015 (as amended), Article 19 of the European Procurement Directive (Reg 7 of the UK Public Contract Regulations), The Public Services (Social Value) Act (2012) and also the requirements for public bodies (the Public sector Equality Duty or PSED) as clearly defined in the Equality Act 2010 to:

- Eliminate unlawful discrimination, harassment and victimisation and other conduct prohibited by the Act.
- Advance equality of opportunity between people who share a protected characteristic and those who do not, and
- Foster good relations between people who share a protected characteristic and those who do not.

The Act also explains that advancing equality of opportunity involves having due regard to the need to:

- Remove or minimise disadvantages suffered by people due to their protected characteristics.
- Take steps to meet the needs of people with certain protected characteristics where these are different from the needs of other people, and
- Encourage people with certain protected characteristics to participate in public life or in other activities where their participation is disproportionately low.

The Equality Act 2010 covers the protected characteristics of age, disability, gender reassignment, pregnancy and maternity, marriage and civil partnerships, race, religion or belief, sex (gender), and sexual orientation. The questions we ask are in relation to:

- your compliance with the statutory obligations under the Equality Act 2010?
- your commitment to non-discrimination and the advancement of equal opportunity in your business processes, (not only in recruitment, but also selection and promotion and in the process of supplying your goods/services or works?)
- whether or not you foster good relations when running your business and providing services?

You are asked to supply evidence to support your answers. Such evidence may be examples of events or activities and/or copies of documents such as your equality and diversity or equal opportunities policy, documents containing instructions to staff, or outlining arrangements for advertisements, recruitment, selection, access to training, and opportunities for promotion, copies of recruitment advertisements,

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extracts from staff handbooks, data on staff numbers, results of staff surveys, customer feedback from service users, or other materials.

No.	Classif- ication	Question	Response
D1	I	What is the size of your company?	Please state the total number of: Partners: Employees (including all full time and part-time employees, apprentices, and other trainees):
D2	I	Of the total number of employees detailed in D1, how many are managers?	Managers:
D3	I	Is your company part of a commercial group or a consortium?	Yes No No If yes, which of your employment policies are determined by you, and which ones apply to all firms within the group or consortium?:
D4	М	Are you a National Living Wage employer?	Yes No No
D5	I	Are you signed up to the national Disability Confident scheme?	Yes No No
D6	I	Are you a Stonewall Diversity Champion?	Yes No No
D7	М	Do you comply with the Modern Slavery Act 2015?	Yes No No
D8	I	, , , , — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — —	

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		 Observe the Equality and Human Rights Commission's code of practice on employment, which became law on 6 April 2011, or comparable guidance under equivalent legislation in another member state, which gives practical guidance to employers and others on the elimination of discrimination and the promotion of equality of opportunity in employment, including the steps that can be taken to encourage people from protected characteristics to apply for jobs or take up training opportunities? Yes No Issue instructions on equality to those concerned with recruitment, selection, remuneration, training and promotion? Yes No Communicate your policy on equality to employees, recognised trade unions, or other representative groups of employees? Yes No Advertise your commitment to equality in recruitment or other literature? Yes No Train staff on equality and diversity and understanding bias and discrimination? Including how this can influence the recruitment process? Yes No What proportion of your staff have been trained? Have procedures in place to protect your employees from discrimination (including bullying, harassment and victimisation)? Yes No How many bullying, harassment, victimisation cases have you dealt with during the last 12 months? Please supply evidence to support your answers to questions D8(a), (b) and (c). This may be copies of documents, such as your equality or equal opportunities policy, documents containing instructions to staff or outlining arrangements for advertisements, recruitment, selection, access to training, opportunities for promotion, copies of recruitment advertisements, extracts 	
D9	I	other materials. Evidence attached?: In the last three years, has any finding of unlawful discrimination been made against your company by any court or tribunal, or in comparable proceedings in any other jurisdiction?	
D10	I	In the last three years, has your company been the subject of a formal investigation by the Equality and Human Rights Commission or a comparable body, on the grounds of alleged unlawful discrimination?	

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D11	I	If the answer to question D9	N/A
		is yes or, in relation to	
		question D10, the Equality	Steps taken (please state):
		and Human Rights	
		Commission or comparable	
		body made a finding adverse	
		to your company, what steps	
		have you taken as a result of	
		that finding?	

D12 Equal Opportunities Monitoring

The information in this section will be treated in the strictest confidence. The results will be used to produce overall statistics regarding the ethnic origin of West Midlands Police suppliers.

What is ethnic origin?

Ethnic origin refers to members of an ethnic group who share the same cultural identity. This does not mean country of birth or nationality. For West Midlands Police suppliers, we want to know the ethnic origin of the owners of the business as we are committed to ensuring that we procure products and services from a diverse business base.

Guide to the meaning of disability

West Midlands Police's definition of disability includes people with physical, mental or sensory impairments who experience, or have experienced, restrictions or discrimination in taking part fully in the mainstream of society. For example, they may have been disabled by lack of access in the built environment, segregated services, restricted employment opportunities, lack of access to information, which exclude them from taking part independently or fully in every day life.

I would describe the company ethnic origin as:-

Ethnic Origin	Please tick the relevant item(s) below
Asian or Asian British	
Indian	
Pakistani	
Bangladeshi	
Any other Asian background.	
Please specify:	
Black or Black British	
Caribbean	
African	
Any other Black background	
Please specify:	
Mixed	
White & Black Caribbean	
White & Black African	
White & Asian	
Any other Mixed background	
Please specify:	
Chinese or other Ethnic Group	
Chinese	
Any other background	
Please specify:	
White	
British	

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Irish				
Any other Wh	Any other White background			
Please specif	y:			
Does your or	ganisatio	n have an equality or diversity	Yes 🗌 No 🗌	
policy? (Not	policy? (Not applicable for organisations with less			
than 5 emplo	than 5 employees)			
The company	employs	S:		
Total	Total number of staff:			
		or ordin.		
Of which				
•	or	% are Female		
		0/ 84 1		
•	or	% are Male		
	or	% are from an ethnic minority gr	roun	
•	Oi	70 are norman entitle millority gr	oup	
•	or	% are disabled or who have a lo	ong-term condition	
			g	
•	or	% are lesbian, gay or bisexual		
•	or	% are Under 25 years of age		
•	or	% are over 60 years of age		
•	or	% are pregnant or on maternity	leave	
Do you collect diversity data about your customers or service users? Yes ☐ No ☐				

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