

Question Number	Submission Date	Question	Answer	Column1
1	09-Sep-21	Is the DPS the same as the current Flexible Support Fund?	This DPS will replace the current Flexible Support Fund DPS	
2	09-Sep-21	How will DPS2 align/ integrate with the Third Tier of CAEHRS	FSF DPS 2 replaces Flexible Support Fund (FSF) DPS activity only	
3	09-Sep-21	Will these slides be shared	Yes, the slides will be shared after the event	
4	09-Sep-21	Is this session being recorded	No, this session is not being recorded	
5	09-Sep-21	How will DPS2 align/integrate with other local commissioners (devolved and local authorities)?	FSF DPS 2 will be for the sole use of DWP and will be used to procure provision under Flexible Support Fund	
6	09-Sep-21	If we deliver under the Flexible support fund, are we on the DPS?	To be on the current DPS, which is for use by Jobcentre Plus (JCP) buyers to procure provision using Flexible Support Fund (FSF) for their customers, you will have had to applied to be accredited. If you are on the existing DPS, you will not be automatically accredited onto FSF DPS 2 and must apply to the new DPS from the 20th September.	
7	09-Sep-21	When do we need to register for DPS 2	The opportunity to apply to be accredited onto the Dynamic Purchasing System (DPS) will go live on 20 September 2021	
8	09-Sep-21	What happens if the initial application is rejected - do we get feedback as to why?	Organisations will be advised in what areas they have been unsuccessful and can reapply in order to rectify	
9	09-Sep-21	Will there be any aligned/integrated accredited employment and skills opportunities?	Please could you clarify the question emailing cdsf.adhocprocurement@dwp.gov.uk	
10	09-Sep-21	LVP?	Low Value Provision	
11	09-Sep-21	Could we have more information on LVP provision please and if/how we can access this	Guidance on DWPs LVP can be found on the GOV.UK website, see www.gov.uk/government/publications/low-value-provision-lvp-online-application-and-guidance	

12	09-Sep-21	We deliver workshops and support for individuals that want to start their own business... would this type of support be requested via this system?	The type of opportunities will depend on what is required locally and when, therefore it is impossible to say what would be procured via the DPS 2. However, to give you some indication of what has been called-off the DPS 1 please refer to the published list on Contracts Finder: https://www.contractsfinder.service.gov.uk/notice/0f5cbbc4-3a1b-461c-b682-a25799c05912?origin=SearchResults&p=1	
13	09-Sep-21	When trying to join the existing DPS, we were informed that our Dun & Bradstreet number couldn't be used because it was already registered on Basware as a buyer rather than a supplier, and therefore we should create a duplicate record for a new Dun & Bradstreet number. We spoke to Dun & Bradstreet and they advised we should only have one number registered against our company. Will we run into the same issue with this DPS, and how can it be resolved?	If any supplier encounters a similar issue with the new DPS please email cdsf.adhocprocurement@dwp.gov.uk and we will raise with Basware	
14	09-Sep-21	How long does the approval process take on Jagger and Basware?	We have tried to make this process as streamlined as possible, however the length of time to become accredited will depend on the number of applications received at any one time and whether there are any queries to resolve before a supplier can be accredited.	
15	09-Sep-21	Is there a reason why existing DPS 1 members just can't transfer over to DPS2 rather than starting from scratch again?	There is no automatic transfer over from DPS 1 as these are two different DPSs and follow different processes & contract terms.	

16	09-Sep-21	What is the intended turnaround time from initial call out to awarding contract?	It is difficult to state a turnaround time, however, the intention is to make the process from issue of the RFQ to award as short as possible. The buyer will set the RFQ deadline, recommendation is a minimum of 5 working days, but the evaluation period will depend on the number of RFQs that are received, and the governance period from Preferred Bidder to award will depend on the value of the contract.
17	09-Sep-21	Can sole traders apply?	Yes, and are encouraged to do so.
18	09-Sep-21	This is very helpful - is there a market position statement that sets out the likely range of RFQs and what they will be for?	The type of opportunities will depend on what is required locally and when, therefore it is impossible to say what would be procured via the DPS 2. However, to give you some indication of what has been called-off the DPS 1 please refer to the published list on Contracts Finder: https://www.contractsfinder.service.gov.uk/notice/0f5cbbc4-3a1b-461c-b682-a25799c05912?origin=SearchResults&p=1
19	09-Sep-21	Can we get sight of the Financial evaluation? So that we know what we're aiming for?	The Financial Viability Risk Assessment (FVRA) will be shared as part of the opportunity documentation published on the 20th September
20	09-Sep-21	We are a small consultancy providing support to new and existing business owners in the form of workshops, coaching and mentoring to assist in the growth of the business. Is acceptance limited to Limited companies or will partnerships be considered?	Partnerships and Consortiums are welcome to apply for accreditation.
21	09-Sep-21	Have upgraded my existing accreditation do I need to start all over again I have updated all my information	Yes, you will have to accredit on the DPS 2 as there is no automatic transfer over from DPS 1 as these are two different DPS and follow different processes.
22	09-Sep-21	Will these slides be available after the presentation?	Yes, the slides will be shared after the event

23	09-Sep-21	If you accidentally 'Close' can this be reversed?	No, once you have selected 'Close' you have removed yourself from the Request For Quote (RFQ) and it cannot be reversed
24	09-Sep-21	Will we be emailed instructions on how to do all this please	Full instructions will be provided in the Instructions to Suppliers, including sources of help available throughout the process. If you are having any difficulties prior to this, please email the mail box issued prior to and at the event
25	09-Sep-21	Is there some kind of warning if you click close accidentally? Might be worth thinking about...	Once you have selected 'Close' you have removed yourself from the Request For Quote (RFQ) and it cannot be reversed - we encourage suppliers to avoid clicking this button unless they are certain they want to withdraw from the RFQ
26	09-Sep-21	Thank you for the presentation. Would it be possible to get a copy via email?	The presentation will be sent to the email address you used to sign up to this session on Eventbrite
27	09-Sep-21	Do you need to submit accounts / due diligence for each RFQ,? If so, what is the point of accreditation?	We have acted on the feedback from Suppliers and tried to ensure that in designing this new process relevant documents are requested at the appropriate time. Previously documents were submitted at accreditation, only for them to be requested again at RFQ stage as they were potentially out of date. We have streamlined the accreditation process and therefore Financial data, Legal Entity status etc. will no longer be asked for at accreditation stage, these will be requested at RFQ stage to ensure the most up to date information is received.

28	09-Sep-21	Is this the new system now to apply for a flexible support form bid, or has the old "word form" gone now, and this is the only application system?	We think the question relates to Grant applications. There has been no change to that process, this process is purely for Jobcentre Plus Buyers to procure provision through a Dynamic Purchasing System. For the DPS the process outlined is the new accreditation process and is the only process that will apply. Suppliers must complete the accreditation via the Jaggaer system to apply to the DPS
29	09-Sep-21	Can Local Authorities apply under this scheme?	Yes, Local Authorities wishing to provide provision under the Employability Journey can apply to be accredited to the DPS 2
30	09-Sep-21	We deliver workshops and support for individuals that want to start their own business... would this type of support be requested via this system?	The type of opportunities will depend on what is required locally and when, therefore it is impossible to say what would be procured via the DPS 2. However, to give you some indication of what has been called-off the DPS 1 please refer to the published list on Contracts Finder: https://www.contractsfinder.service.gov.uk/notice/0f5cbbc4-3a1b-461c-b682-a25799c05912?origin=SearchResults&p=1
31	09-Sep-21	Could we have a copy of the recording?	Please be assured that DWP are not recording this session.
32	09-Sep-21	Is there a deadline to submit new application? We are already on Basware - Where do we find the link to the application form?	The opportunity to apply for accreditation to the DPS 2 will open on 20 September 2021 and remain open, but DWP will conduct regular reviews whether it should remain open based on requirement and funding.

