

		<b>ESF Clarification Events</b>		
		Region	Northwest - Rheged Centre	
		Date	29th November 2007	
<b>Name</b>	<b>Organisation</b>	<b>Categories</b>	<b>Question</b>	<b>Answer</b>
Kitty Booth-Clibborn	Cumbria CVS	Programme Specific	Community Grants NW Tender - How does it link in with LSC (NLDC) funding?	The Tender will be written Nationally but we will have the opportunity to tailor it within the North West.
Angelina Chapple	JHP Training	Programme Specific	Young Persons Tender - Are there any plans to review allocations with reference to needs identified, for example different needs for Cumbria NEETs/more severe needs (weighting of funding issue)?	Not yet but we recognise the need and will consider it.
Graham Johnson	The Johnson Partnership	Programme Specific	Learning Advocate Initiative - is there any restriction on the size of SMEs?	Haven't stipulated. They can also be larger companies and Public Sector.
Graham McKendrick	LSC	Other	Does the character count include blank spaces?	Yes - it is approximately half a side of A4 size paper for 3000 characters & 1 page of A4 size paper for 6000 characters.
Not stated	Not stated	Other	Is there any clarification on the level of Employer Contributions?	The Individual Tender specs will have any Employer and State Aid contributions included in the available funding section.

Not stated	Not stated	Programme Specific	Vocational Level 2 - Is the Employer Contribution the same as the Level 3 qualification?	Yes it is - 42.5% this year.
Not stated	Not stated	Programme Specific	Third Workforce Skill ITT - is it a full NVQ or equivalent?	In line with our other programmes - full NVQ only.
Not stated	Not stated	Programme Specific	Train the Trainer - Specific entry Level qualifications - does that include NVQ equivalent levels available through another route?	Can't comment specifically without looking at a submitted proposal. Submission would have to make the case for the demand.
Not stated	Not stated	Other	Re. Projects being squeezed into Programmes - can existing projects which still fit the re-tender spec be used?	If you have something that's working well and it will fit (without squeezing) what the Tender specification is asking for then of course that is acceptable.