

Sector Talent Boards / Pan London Sector Hubs Wave 2 Clarification Questions

Received up to 24 April 2026

Number	Question	Response
1	Is the budget inclusive or exclusive of VAT?	The GLA does not pay VAT on grant funding. Applicants will need to present a costed proposal based on their individual VAT status. Therefore, if the applicant is required to pay VAT; costs should include VAT and not exceed the £360,000 pa envelope.
2	In the prospectus it says the funding will cover a minimum equivalent of three FTE staff, however the costing template says it will fund 'up to three FTE'. Please can you confirm which is correct?	The funding should be used to create a <u>minimum</u> of three FTE.
3	Can you confirm if the full budget for year 1 will be available or will it be prorated given the contract start date. If it is prorated, can you confirm the actual amount that would be available for year 1?	<p>The timing of the launch will not allow for a full year of delivery in the 2026/27 financial period. We are therefore asking candidates to outline what activity can realistically be delivered within the available period up to the maximum amount of £360,000 pa.</p> <p>While we will explore the possibility of extending delivery beyond the current lifecycle, we advise candidates to focus initially on what can be achieved within the existing timeframe, including options for maximising spend within the first six months of delivery.</p>
4	When will applicants be notified of the outcome of the application process	We expect to notify all applicants of the outcome of the application process by July 2026.

5	Will the presentation from the information webinar be shared?	Yes. The presentation will be sent to all those that attended the information webinar held on 22nd April. Alternatively, you can email sectortalent@london.gov.uk to request the presentation.
6	How many projects per sector will be funded under wave 2 of the programme?	Three organisations, partnerships or consortia will be grant funded via this wave of the programme - one per priority sector (Health, Social Care and Hospitality)
7	Will the application window close early if there is lots of interest	No. The application window will close 12:00 10th June regardless of the amount of interest.
8	Is there a summary of wave 1 achievements that can be shared?	Not currently. We are still in the process of finalising annual delivery plans with the successful applicants for the Wave 1 opportunity.

