

On 21 January 2019, SSROC provided the following clarification to section 10 (Public Benefits) of its application:

The evidence provided by SSROC regarding social benefits included the following sentence "*The tender specifications will require the successful tenderer to develop and provide an education program for residents to foster better management of wastes, separation of recyclable items and conservation of resources*". SSROC advises that, on further consideration, the sentence will be amended to make this optional rather than mandatory. i.e. the tender specifications will still allow tenderers to offer educational services for residents, though participating councils may, or may not, choose to accept any offer of this type.

However, successful tenderers will be required to work closely with SSROC and participating councils on the content and messaging for both education and communication projects. This is to ensure consistency and clarity of messaging for residents, whatever Council they live in, covering for example; how to deal with unwanted bulky household items, how to place them at the kerb to enable effective collection and recovery, and what Councils and the processor will be doing to maximise the recovery of those resources.

The remainder of the answer to question 10 regarding environmental, economic and social benefits is unchanged.