

Thank you for your email of 2nd July 2012 in which you requested information about the Government Procurement Service's Estates Professional Services Framework.

Your requested the following:

1. Name all suppliers who provide you with services for Estates Professional Services as defined by the GPS (to include rent reviews, valuations, lease renewal, Acquisition of freehold and leasehold property as highlighted here <http://gps.cabinetoffice.gov.uk/contracts/rm397>).

2. How much was spent with each supplier (regardless of whether they provided you services under the GPS framework) in the following financial years. Please break this down as fully as possible by supplier.

2007/08

2008/09

2009/10

2010/11

2011/12

3. What are your main requirements under the GPS framework?

4. What are your plans once the GPS framework expires?

I have considered your request under the terms of the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

I can confirm that the Department for Communities and Local Government holds information falling within the terms of your request and is able to provide you with that information.

For ease of reference I will respond to your queries in the order you present them:

1. BNP Paribas Real Estate
Drivers Jonas Deloitte
DTZ
GVA Grimley
Jones Lang LaSalle
Lambert Smith Hampton
King Sturge
Knight Frank
Valuation Office Agency (VOA)

2. Please see the attached tables below

FISCAL YEAR	BNP PARIBAS REAL ESTATE	DTZ DEBENHAM TIE LEUNG	GVA GRIMLEY LTD	VOA
2007-08	£10,915	£49,476	£25,152	
2008-09	£30,383	£66,324	£124,877	

2009-10	£11,100	£69,638	£73,435	
2010-11	£11,163		£8,391	
2011-12	£13,800	£20,772	£146,861	£24,432
	£77,361	£206,210	£378,716	£24,432

FISCAL YEAR	JONES LANG LASALLE	KNIGHT FRANK	LAMBERT SMITH HAMPTON
2007-08	£82,199	£4,339	£-9,106
2008-09	£8,813	£6,914	£11,000
2009-10	£36,413	£223	
2010-11	£15,305		£22,550
2011-12			
	£142,730	£11,476	£24,444

FISCAL YEAR	GRAND TOTAL
2007-08	£162,974
2008-09	£248,311
2009-10	£190,809
2010-11	£57,409
2011-12	£205,865
	£865,368

3. Our main requirements under the GPS network are –

- Disposals of Freehold and Leasehold Property
- Dilapidations
- Rating Support Service
- Valuation
- Condition Surveys

4. Our future procurement strategy will be progressed in partnership with the Government Procurement Service.

We have recently let a contract, in partnership with the Department for Education, under the framework RM397. The successful supplier is GVA Grimley. We envisage the contract will meet the Department's requirements for Estates Professional Services until at least December 2013.

The Department has managed to significantly reduce the cost of its estate since May 2010 by successfully disposing of the majority of the ex-Government Office Network accommodation and other surplus properties through a combination of surrenders to

our landlords (including early negotiated surrenders) and by transferring and/or sub-letting properties to other public sector organisations.

The Department has also managed further reductions to its holdings through the reform of our Arms Length Bodies. This process commenced in 2010 and to date eleven of the original twenty six Arms Length Bodies have been closed or transferred to other Departments. The work continues and we anticipate an overall reduction of around two-thirds of the original number. Properties held by arms length bodies have been disposed of by a combination of surrender to landlords, transfers to other public sector bodies and sub-letting to a range of public and private sector occupiers. The work to reduce the cost of the estate and number of holdings has had an impact on estates professional services over the last two years.

The full extent of the Department's achievements in reducing the size and costs of our property holdings are recorded each year in the State of the Estate Report, prepared by the Cabinet Office pursuant to Section 86 of the Climate Change Act 2008. The State of the Estate report 2011 (see link below) provides the most recent figures available and covers the calendar year 2011. During the period 1 January 2011 to 1 January 2012 the Department for Communities and Local Government reduced the size of our property estate from 248,618 square metres to 160,627 square metres a reduction of 87,991 square metres or over 35%, proportionately the second largest reduction of any Department of State during the period.

<https://update.cabinetoffice.gov.uk/resource-library/state-estate-2011>