

## **Information Released under Freedom of Information Act**

**Subject:** Enquiry regarding Companies House software licences

**Date Released:** 16 April 2015

**Summary of request:** The enquirer asked various question in relation to Companies House software licences

### **Information Released**

I have answered the questions in the order they have appeared in your request.

**Q1. Do you look after your own IT or is it outsourced?**

IT is managed in-house.

**Q2. How much did you pay in last financial year for software licenses?**

2014/15 Total Software Licence was £550,364.

**Q3. How many computers users do you have?**

HR Headcount figure - 892 (includes contractors)

**Q4. When do you need to renew the contract with Microsoft for software licenses? What was the value of your last contract?**

Companies House does not have a contract with Microsoft for software licences. Microsoft licences are obtained as "one-off" purchases without software assurance.

**Q5. Do you currently measure software usage versus the number of licenses purchased? If so what is used for software usage metering?**

SNOW Licence Manager Application

**Q6. Do you use a software asset management tool?**

Yes – SNOW

**Q7. Please also provide details of IT Contracts Managers and any person(s) involved in IT Software procurement.**

Procurement contacts can be found via the following link:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/companies-house/about/procurement#procurement-contacts>