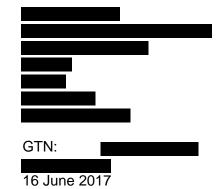


Our ref: 752, 026 Your ref: From:



via E-mail

CC:

Dear

FOI REQUEST 752, 026 QUERY RELATING TO SMART MOTORWAYS

I refer to your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000/Environmental Information Regulations 2004 for information requesting the following information:

All information resulting in ProCon Partners receiving five projects, which have a combined overall value of £2.4billion, will cover the M4, M1, M6, M20, M23, A14 and A21 the smart motorways. Information such as:

- What was the criteria for appointment
- Who submitted tenders for the appointments
- Who are Procon Partners are they a limited company if so, what number or are they another trading style
- What links do Procon partners have to contractors employed by Highways England
- What links do Procon partners have to employees of Highways England
- How did Procon partners satisfy the criteria for selection and appointment
- What due diligence did Highways England undertake of Procon partners before making the appointment

I am writing to advise you that, following a search of our electronic records, I have established that the information you requested is not held by Highways England. This is because:

- 1. Highways England have no record of ProCon Partners on our supplier database and as such have never held a contract with us.
- 2. We are unable to confirm if ProCon Partners works with any of our suppliers as we do not hold sub-contractor/third party supplier records.

If you are unhappy with the way we have handled your request you may ask for an internal review within 2 months of the date of this response for Freedom of Information requests and within 40 days for Environmental Information Regulations requests. Our internal review process is available at:

https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/highways-england/about/complaintsprocedure

If you require a print copy, please phone the Information Line on 0300 123 5000; or email <u>info@highwaysengland.co.uk</u>. You should contact me if you wish to complain.

If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

Information Commissioner's Office Wycliffe House Water Lane Wilmslow Cheshire SK9 5AF

If you have any queries about this letter, please contact me. Please remember to quote reference number [CRS reference] in any future communications.

Yours sincerely

Business Manager