



Our ref: FOI 2020/08843
Your ref:

Date: 4 August 2020

Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your email of 7 July 2020 requesting the following information:

“Please could you provide the following information:

1. **How many people are employed by your organisation, including full time and part time?**
2. **What is your current intranet solution? (Sharepoint, Wordpress, Invotra, etc)**
3. **How long have you been using this intranet solution?**
4. **When is your intranet contract up for renewal?**
5. **What is your annual intranet budget?**
6. **Do you share an intranet/IT services with other organisations, if so who?**
7. **Which team and/or individual(s) are responsible for managing your intranet internally?**
8. **Are you using the Office 365 suite? If so, which applications from the suite are in use?**
9. **Which team and/or individual(s) are responsible for your intranet’s procurement within the organisation?**
10. **Is your Active Directory hosted on-premise, or in the cloud?**
11. **Could you provide us with a link to your Digital Workplace Strategy”?**

We are treating your correspondence as a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA).

A search for the information has now been completed within the Ministry of Defence, and I can confirm that information in scope of your request is held.

The information you have requested can be found below, but some of the information falls entirely within the scope of the qualified exemptions provided for at section 43 Commercial Interests of the FOIA and has been withheld.

Section 43 is a qualified exemptions and are subject to public interest testing which means that the information requested can only be withheld if the pub interest in doing so outweighs the public interest in disclosure.

1. How many people are employed by your organisation, including full time and part time?

5803

2. What is your current intranet solution? (Sharepoint, Wordpress, Invotra, etc)

Sharepoint

3. How long have you been using this intranet solution?

10 plus years

4. When is your intranet contract up for renewal?

This information has been withheld in accordance with Section 43 (Commercial Interests) of the FOIA.

Section 43 (2) has been applied to the information because it has the potential to adversely affect future relationships with and the commercial viability of the partners with which Dstl contracts and weaken its ability to negotiate effectively in procuring similar services in future. Whilst we realise that releasing this information would allow the public to understand who our commercial partners are, the balance of the public interest lies in withholding the information. For these reasons we have set the level of prejudice against release of the exempted information at the higher level of "would" rather than "would be likely to".

5. What is your annual intranet budget?

Section 43 above

6. Do you share an intranet/IT services with other organisations, if so who?

No

7. Which team and/or individual(s) are responsible for managing your intranet internally?

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8. Are you using the Office 365 suite? If so, which applications from the suite are in use?

No

9. Which team and/or individual(s) are responsible for your intranet's procurement within the organisation?

Chief Information Officer (CIO) and Knowledge Information Services (KIS)

10. Is your Active Directory hosted on-premise, or in the cloud?

On premise

11. Could you provide us with a link to your Digital Workplace Strategy"?

Dstl does not have a Digital Workplace Strategy

If you have any queries regarding the content of this letter, please contact this office in the first instance

If you wish to complain about the handling of your request, or the content of this response, you can request an independent internal review by contacting the Information Rights Compliance team, Ground Floor, MOD Main Building, Whitehall, SW1A 2HB (e-mail CIO-FOI-IR@mod.gov.uk). Please note that any request for an internal review should be made within 40 working days of the date of this response.

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Yours sincerely

Dstl Secretariat