

Date: 24 January 2022 Our Ref: RFI3732 Tel: 0300 1234 500 Email: infogov@homesengland.gov.uk

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Information Governance Team Homes England Windsor House – 6th Floor 50 Victoria Street London SW1H oTL

Dear

RE: Request for Information – RFI3732

Thank you for your request for information which was processed in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA).

You requested the following information:

I would be grateful if you could please send me the following information with regards to the organisation's Mobile Phones contract.

1. Network Provider(s) - Please provide me with the network provider, if the contract is managed for example by Daisy, please state the network provider for e.g., Vodafone, O2, EE.

2. Annual Average Spend for each contract if there is more than one contract Network

- 4. Contract Expiry Date, If the contract as expired or is rolling please state
- 5. Duration of the contract- please state if the contract also includes contract extensions for each provider.
- 6. Contract Review Date- Please can you provide me with a date when the organisation plans to review this contract
- 7. Number of Connections number of voices only devices, voice and data devices, data only devices)

8. The person in the organisation responsible for this particular contract. Can you send me contact name, Job title, Contact number and email add.

Please can you provide me with the latest information- If the organisations are currently out to tender please can you also state the approx. date of the award along with the information above.

If this contract was awarded within the past three months, can you please provide me with a shortlist of suppliers that bid on the contract?

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³ Contract Start Date



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Response

We can inform you that we do hold the information that you have requested.

The majority of the information you have requested is exempt from disclosure in accordance with section 21, exemption where information is available to the applicant elsewhere.

The full text of the legislation can be found on the following link and we have quoted section 21 below for ease. <u>https://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/2000/36/section/21</u>

21 - Information accessible to applicant by other means.

(1)Information which is reasonably accessible to the applicant otherwise than under section 1 is exempt information.

(2)For the purposes of subsection (1)—

(a)information may be reasonably accessible to the applicant even though it is accessible only on payment, and

(b)information is to be taken to be reasonably accessible to the applicant if it is information which the public authority or any other person is obliged by or under any enactment to communicate (otherwise than by making the information available for inspection) to members of the public on request, whether free of charge or on payment.

(3)For the purposes of subsection (1), information which is held by a public authority and does not fall within subsection (2)(b) is not to be regarded as reasonably accessible to the applicant merely because the information is available from the public authority itself on request, unless the information is made available in accordance with the authority's publication scheme and any payment required is specified in, or determined in accordance with, the scheme.

Advice and Assistance

We have a duty to provide advice and assistance in accordance with Section 16 of the FOIA. Therefore we can advise that a previously published response contains the majority of the information you have requested and is available on the following link: <u>RFI3545</u> - <u>Mobile Phone Contracts.pdf (publishing.service.gov.uk)</u>.

The information requested not available in the previous response is as follows:

Q6. Contract Review Date

We can confirm that the review date is the first quarter of 2022. Furthermore, we can confirm that the contract is not out to tender.

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<u>Right to Appeal</u>

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If you are not happy with the information that has been provided or the way in which your request has been handled, you may request an internal review. You can request an internal review by writing to Homes England via the details below, quoting the reference number at the top of this letter.

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Your request for review must be made in writing, explain why you wish to appeal, and be received within 40 working days of the date of this response. Failure to meet this criteria may lead to your request being refused.

Upon receipt, your request for review will be passed to an independent party not involved in your original request. We aim to issue a response within 20 working days.

You may also complain to the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO) however, the Information Commissioner does usually expect the internal review procedure to be exhausted in the first instance.

The Information Commissioner's details can be found via the following link:

https://ico.org.uk/

Please note that the contents of your request and this response are also subject to the Freedom of Information Act 2000. Homes England may be required to disclose your request and our response accordingly.

Yours sincerely,

The Information Governance Team For Homes England