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Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your email of 21 December 2022 requesting the following information:

This information request is with respect to the below project:

Project Title: UKHO - Third Party Development and Support Services

Notice reference: BIP743793198

Project Link: <https://www.contractsfinder.service.gov.uk/notice/65a6e0aa-fb0f-474f-834c-d66361617256?origin=SearchResults&p=4>

We would like to know the below:

- *How many suppliers bid for this project?*
- *How many of them were disqualified & failed at what stage?*
- *What is the actual value of the project?*
- *What is the cost of contract proposed by the winning supplier?*
- *What are the other 3 best forgone options according to the cost model? (We're not interested to know the names of the bidders, just the cost model.)*
- *What was the most significant criterion to evaluate the responses?*
- *Is there any other benefits offered by any of the bidders/winning bidder external to the scope of the contract?*
- *A table with individual score by weightage for all the bidders. (We are not interested to know the names. Just the score please)*

Our intention is to analyse our competitors and our purpose is to strengthen our bids for future projects.

I am 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 UKHO, and I can confirm that some of the information in scope of your request is held.

The information you have requested is exempt under Section 21 of the FOIA (Information reasonably accessible to the applicant by other means). Section 21 is an absolute exemption, there is no requirement to consider the public interest in making the decision to withhold the information.

The information you have requested can be found below, at annex A.

If you are not satisfied with this response or you wish to complain about any aspect of the handling of your request, then you should contact me in the first instance. If informal resolution is not possible and you are still dissatisfied then you may apply for 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.uk). Please note that any request for an internal review must be made within 40 working days of the date on which the attempt to reach informal resolution has come to an end.

If you remain dissatisfied following an internal review, you may take your complaint to the Information Commissioner under the provisions of Section 50 of the Freedom of Information Act. Please note that the Information Commissioner will not investigate your case until the MOD internal review process has been completed. Further details of the role and powers of the Information Commissioner can be found on the Commissioner's website, <http://www.ico.org.uk>.

Yours sincerely,

UKHO Secretariat

ANNEX A:

How many suppliers bid for this project?

Three

How many of them were disqualified & failed at what stage?

All 3 suppliers were taken through to the evaluation stage.

What is the actual value of the project?

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What is the cost of contract proposed by the winning supplier?

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What are the other 3 best forgone options according to the cost model? (We're not interested to know the names of the bidders, just the cost model.)

Supplier Name	Pricing	Percentage	Score
Supplier A	£8,100.00	0.40	8.09
Supplier B	£5,190.00	0.63	12.62
Supplier C	£3,275.00	1	20
Lowest Price	£3,275.00		
Weighting	20.00		

What was the most significant criterion to evaluate the responses?

Questions related to Skills & Experience carried the highest weighting.

Is there any other benefits offered by any of the bidders/winning bidder external to the scope of the contract?

No

A table with individual score by weightage for all the bidders. (We are not interested to know the names. Just the score please)

Weighting	Evaluation Criteria	Supplier A	Supplier B	Supplier C
35	Skills & experience	17.6	12.1	28.4
16	Capacity & timescales	7.3	7.7	13.4
19	Onboarding & Upskilling	7.6	4.85	12.05
10	Social Value	4.75	2.9	8.6
	Total	37.25	27.55	62.45