From: Sent: 07 December 2023 11:02 To: Cc: Enquiries <enquiries@ssro.gov.uk> Subject: FOI - AR/VR Training - RFI 083

Dear

Thank you for your freedom of information request, received on 21 November 2023, and allocated reference number RFI 083.

I can confirm that the SSRO does not deliver any augmented reality/virtual reality (AR/VR) training, and this is not something we are looking to deliver or use in the future. We are therefore providing a "nil response" for all questions you have listed below.

If you are dissatisfied with the handling of your request, you have the right to ask for an internal review. Internal review requests should be submitted within two months of the date of receipt of the response to your original request and should be addressed to: John Russell, c/o Enquiries, <u>enquiries@ssro.gov.uk</u>.

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 or <u>ico.org.uk</u>.

Kind regards,

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From: Sent: 21 November 2023 10:23 To: Enquiries <<u>enquiries@ssro.gov.uk</u>> Subject: FOI - AR/VR Training

Dear Single Source Regulations Office,

Under the Freedom of Information Act, please could I request the following information:

I am interested in the augmented reality/virtual reality (AR/VR) training that you may deliver.

Augmented reality and virtual reality training is the digital simulation of lifelike scenarios for training purposes. Trainees enter a 360°, active learning environment, experiencing sights and sounds that dissolve the barrier between virtual and actual reality. Trainees look, speak, and move about freely in a 3D virtual setting, interacting with simulated real-world tools, machinery, and other trainees and instructors.

- 1. What training have you delivered using AR/VR technology?
- 2. Are you currently engaging and talking with AR/VR suppliers, and if so who?
- 3. Which suppliers have you used for AR/VR training and what was their spend in calendar year 2023 to date?
- 4. What is the percentage split of AR/VR training spend between training delivered to own staff versus training delivered to users of government/public services in calendar year 2023 to date?
- 5. How much budget have you allocated for AR/VR training for 2023-2024 and 2024-2025 calendar year?
- 6. What public sector procurement route have you used to procure AR/VR technology from Jan 2021 to date?
- 7. What public sector procurement route have you used to procure AR/VR design services of education training content from Jan 2021 to date?

Please can you email the answers back and if you have any questions or need further clarification, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Regards,

