



Homes
England

Date: 3 February 2025

Our Ref: RFI5001

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[REDACTED]
By Email Only

Dear [REDACTED]

RE: Request for Information – RFI5001

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 most grateful if you would provide me, under the Freedom of Information Act, details in respect to the contract below.

Azure Migration Services:

<https://gbr01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.contractsfinder.service.gov.uk%2FNotice%2F2b4ec758-2283-44f7-80ce-158461a64bc2&data=05%7C02%7Cinfogov%40homesengland.gov.uk%7Cd7b8caf81c644e9ba32d08dd2e61d9f8%7Cfaa8e2690811453882e74d29009219bf%7C0%7C0%7C638717720770332052%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJFbXB0eU1hcGkiOnRydWUsIlYiOiIwLjAuMDAwMCIsIlAiOiJXaW4zMmIsIkFOIjoiTWFpbCIsIlIdUljoyfQ%3D%3D%7C60000%7C%7C%7C&sdata=i62sujBPfwY%2FDaAOI5YLBmv3C4suV50AIn3v%2FqWefnU%3D&reserved=0>

The details we require are:

What are the contractual performance KPI's for this contract?

Suppliers who applied for inclusion on each framework/contract and were successful & not successful at the PQQ & ITT stages

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Actual spend on this contract/framework (and any sub lots), from the start of the contract to the current date

Start date & duration of framework/contract?

Could you please provide a copy of the service/product specification given to all bidders for when this contract was last advertised?

Is there an extension clause in the framework(s)/contract(s) and, if so, the duration of the extension?

Has a decision been made yet on whether the framework(s)/contract(s) are being either extended or renewed?

Who is the senior officer (outside of procurement) responsible for this contract?

Response

We can confirm that we do hold the requested information. We will address each of your questions in turn below.

What are the contractual performance KPI's for this contract?

We can confirm that there are no contractual performance KPI's for this contract.

Suppliers who applied for inclusion on each framework/contract and were successful & not successful at the PQQ & ITT stages

This contract was procured using the Crown Commercial Service (CCS) G-Cloud and no other suppliers were identified during the process. The contract was awarded to Risual Ltd.

Actual spend on this contract/framework (and any sub lots), from the start of the contract to the current date

The actual spend on this framework was £17,250.

Start date & duration of framework/contract?

We can inform you that we do hold the information that you have requested. However, we rely on section 21, exemption where information is available to the applicant elsewhere.

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The full text of the legislation can be found on the following link and we have quoted section 21 below for ease.

<https://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/2000/36/section/21>

Section 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. As such, we can advise that some of this information is available on our gov.uk Contracts Finder via the below link under the reference number DN671089, ensuring to select 'awarded contract' when searching.

<https://www.contractsfinder.service.gov.uk/Search>

Could you please provide a copy of the service/product specification given to all bidders for when this contract was last advertised?

No specification was issued or advertised to bidders; G Cloud is an online catalogue of products therefore suppliers did not bid against our requirements.





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Is there an extension clause in the framework(s)/contract(s) and, if so, the duration of the extension?

We can advise that the G Cloud contract would have included an option to extend for a further 12 months twice to take the maximum contract duration to 4 years.

Has a decision been made yet on whether the framework(s)/contract(s) are being either extended or renewed?

We can confirm that the contact has ended and was not renewed.

Who is the senior officer (outside of procurement) responsible for this contract?

We can inform you that we do hold the information that you have requested. However, we rely on Section 40 (2) of the FOIA to withhold the information from disclosure.

Section 40 – Personal information

We are withholding information on the grounds that it constitutes third party personal data and therefore engages section 40(2) of the FOIA.

To disclose personal data, such as names, contact details, addresses, email addresses and personal opinions could lead to the identification of third parties and would breach one or more of the data protection principles.

Section 40 is an absolute exemption which means that we do not need to consider the public interest in disclosure. Once it is established that the information is personal data of a third party and release would breach one or more of the data protection principles, then the exemption is engaged.

The full text in the legislation can be found on the following link:

<https://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/2000/36/section/40>

Advice and Assistance

We have a duty to provide advice and assistance in accordance with Section 16 of the FOIA. As such we can advise that the responsible team to contact within Homes England regarding this framework is the procurement team. Correspondence can be directed via our enquires team:

enquiries@homesengland.gov.uk or 0300 1234 500.

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Right to Appeal

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/>

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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,

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